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As Trump readies for arrest, NYC prepares

Ex-president expected to surrender Tuesday; Adams warns protesters

By Corey Kilgannon
NEW YORK TIMES

NEW YORK — Donald Trump traveled to New York from Florida on Monday to face arraignment in the first indictment of a former American president, his trip monitored minutely from the moment he left his Palm Beach estate until he arrived at Trump Tower in midtown.

Live trackers followed his red-white-and-blue plane all the way to its arrival at LaGuardia Airport. Helicopters broadcast the motorcade that swept him to his Manhattan home, which was hemmed in by press, police, and protesters.

On Tuesday morning, the din will give way to a solemn drama with historic stakes. The former president will be whisked downtown by police officers and Secret Service agents to surrender at the office of Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg. He will then be arraigned in the Manhattan Criminal Courts Building, where his supporters plan a rally outside.

Mayor Eric Adams warned Trump's supporters to keep the peace, saying that the dignity of the proceedings would not be disrupted. Barricades were deployed, and the Police Department sent a stand-ready order to its roughly 35,000 officers, a force larger and better trained than some national armies.

"While there may be some rabble-rousers

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SHAMARI HUMPHRIES

Once a month at Big Night Live, Silk takes over for a party like no other.

This party fuses beats, love, kinship

JENEÉ OSTERHELDT

Arms stretched long, hips set free, eyes closed, and mouths open in a song.

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The days are long and the world is hard, but once a month there is our soft place to land: Silk, an R&B party, a celebration of us. What started as a night to slow jam for about 125 people in the fall of 2018 at the W Hotel has grown into almost 2,000 people a month at Big Night Live, the music hall adjacent to TD Garden.

College kids, athletes, young professionals, and elected officials all look forward to Silk. It's one of those nights where Boston is at its best: inclusive, loving, and free.

Silk happens every month. Attendees anticipate the announcement. Tickets sell out each time. It's become *the party*.

"We don't have a lot of spaces that are big and beautiful and well-curated," says Massachusetts state Senator Liz Miranda. "At one point in time I was the top woman event producer in the city of Boston. I ran Avalon. Boston's Black community has very few big night clubs and many of them are gone. I haven't seen anything like Silk in over 10 years. It's a multigenerational, multicultural space where our city, our cultures, our music, and our love of community is all in one

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A speed bump for climate plan

MBTA falls behind on ambitious goal to switch to fleet of all-electric buses

The T must electrify its bus fleet by 2040

Of 1,148 buses, only 5 are currently battery powered

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By Taylor Dolven
GLOBE STAFF

The MBTA is staring down two climate goals: electrify nearly 30 percent of its bus fleet by 2028 and 100 percent by 2040.

The latter is a legal obligation, and the former is a self-imposed milestone. Both, however, are being threatened by delays and blown budgets on several projects aimed at buying hundreds of battery electric buses and rebuilding or retrofitting garages to charge the vehicles.

Scott Hamwey, the T's director of infrastructure planning, said in a statement that the T has run into unanticipated challenges with its garage electrification projects, which is causing the delays.

"While unforeseen cost increases and supply chain issues in the construction market have required a readjustment of our timelines for our initial facilities, the MBTA remains committed to both meeting our goal of a zero-emissions fleet, and providing service that meets the needs of our riders who depend on it," Hamwey said.

If the T is going to meet its self-imposed goal, as part of its bus electrification plan published last year, its first three

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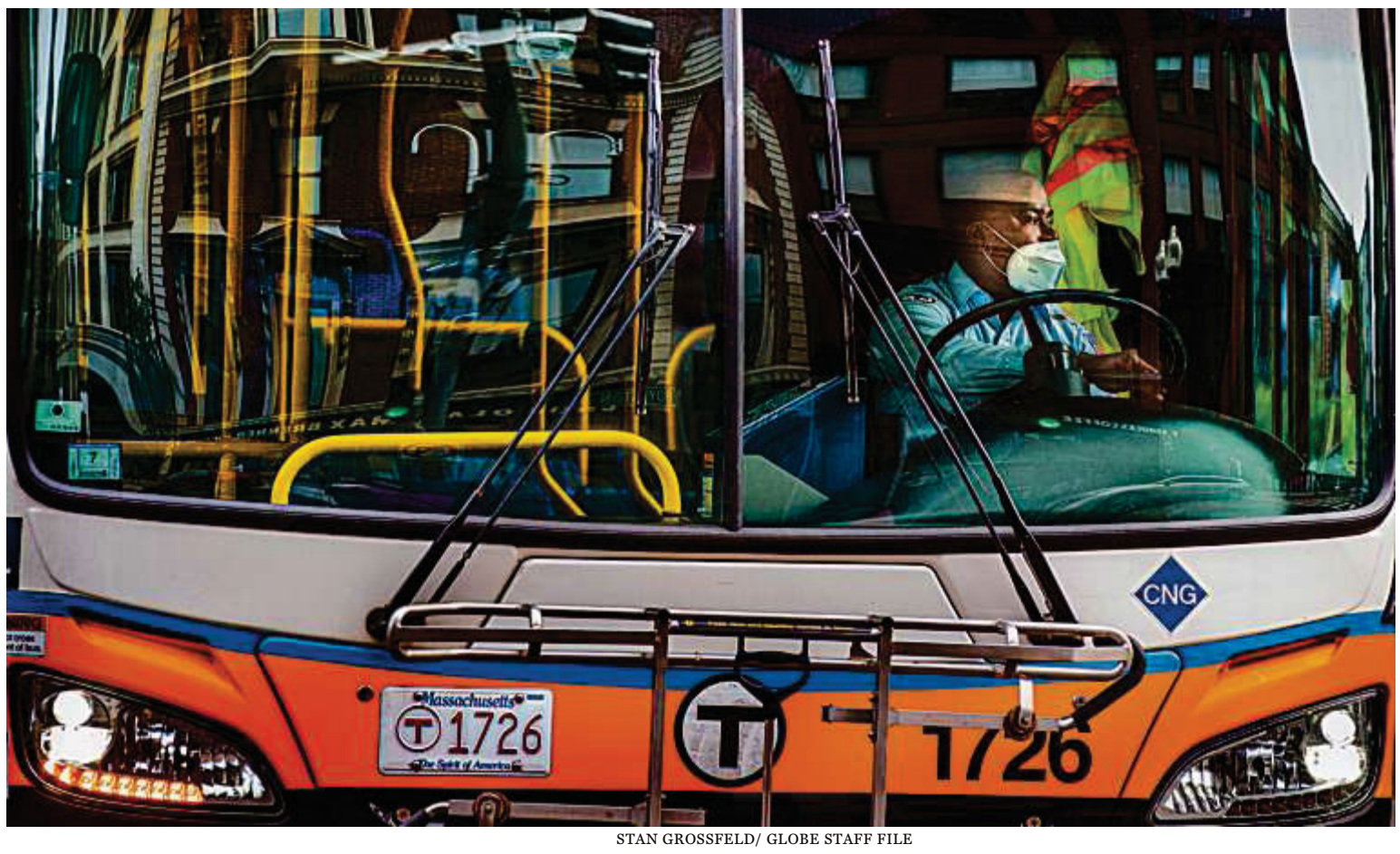

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Almost all of the MBTA's bus fleet today runs on fossil fuels, including this one on compressed natural gas.

Agency expands hiring incentives following gloomy watchdog report

By John R. Ellement
GLOBE STAFF
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GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

In a push to add badly needed employees, the MBTA said Monday it is raising its signing bonus to $7,500 and expanding the number of jobs that qualify, following a scathing report from a watchdog group that highlighted a critical worker shortage that could prolong service disruptions.

The Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority also released a new three-year plan for safety upgrades that would bring the aging transit system in line with federal reporting requirements. That plan was in response to a blistering assessment last year by the Federal Transit Administration.

The moves by the T came after the Massachusetts Taxpayers Foundation released a study Monday that said the agency must hire 2,800 workers in the next 12 months for the system to be fully operational, but the goal is unlikely to be met due to the state's low unemployment rate.

"The MBTA is committed to increasing hiring, supporting our hardworking employees, and ensuring that the T is a desirable place to work," the agency said in a statement.

Once limited to bus operators, and topping out at $4,500, the expanded hiring incentive program starting April 15 will also apply to rail repair workers, track laborers, streetcar operators, subway train operators, service technicians, and fuelers, the MBTA said.

The MBTA will have "hiring teams" in Mattapan, Quincy, Lynn, and East Boston in the

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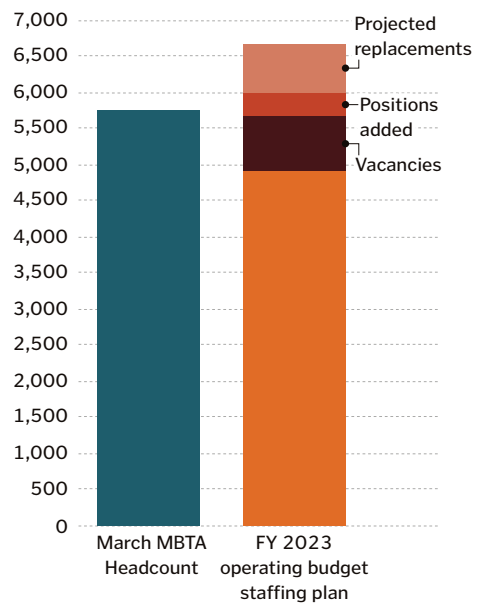
MBTA facing shortfall in staffing

The MBTA said it is increasing its sign-on bonuses to $7,500 and expanding the number of jobs that qualify for them.



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Sophomore Riley Ferrell listened to teacher Rachel Williams-Giordano during a class of the College Board's AP African-American Studies at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School.

Staying the course amid AP squabble

African-American class gets rollout in local schools

By Adria Watson
GLOBE STAFF

CAMBRIDGE — There was no sugar coating in the students' discussion of slavery as they read first-hand accounts of the horrors endured by an enslaved woman.

THE GREAT DIVIDE

This ugly and brutal chapter in US history went on for hundreds of years. Why, their teacher asked, was it allowed to persist?

"When it's embedded in your education and your religion ... it's hard to get out and escape that," said sophomore Riley Ferrell.

The recent discussion was part of the AP African-American studies class at the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School, one of about 60 schools across the country piloting the course that has been embroiled in national controversy.

In the last few months, the College Board, which oversees Advanced Placement courses and the college entrance exams SAT and ACT, has come under scrutiny for a new version of the course framework that some fear could dilute candid discussions like those now taking place in Cambridge.

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Harvard students expressed fear and confusion after a hoax prompted police to enter their rooms. **B1.**

NASA revealed its crew for the first manned moon mission in about a half-century. **A6.**

City councilors are considering banning alcohol "nip" bottles in Boston. **B1.**

The University of Connecticut won the men's NCAA basketball championship, throttling San Diego State, 76-59. **C1.**

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The Nation

After shooting, anti-trans rhetoric rises

Disinformation surrounds Nashville attack

By Andrew DeMillo
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Anti-transgender rhetoric and disinformation in the days following the shooting at a Nashville Christian school that killed six people have heightened the fears of a community already on edge amid a historic push for more restrictions on transgender people's rights this year.

Authorities haven't shared any evidence linking Audrey Hale's gender identity to the motive for the attack, which killed three children and three adults at The Covenant School on March 27.

Yet right-wing commentators, politicians, and other figures have cited the shooting as they've shared false claims of a rise in transgender mass shooters and suggested that the fight for trans rights is radicalizing people.

Advocates worry the comments are further jeopardizing transgender people by turning them into scapegoats, at a time when they're speaking out against a wave of bills focused on trans people in statehouses across the country.

"We've certainly seen the uptick in transphobic rhetoric in the past week, even directed towards our own public platforms, and there have absolutely been community members that are wearier of being in the public eye," the Trans Empowerment Project, an advocacy and support group based in Tennessee, said in a statement.

The rhetoric has come even from members of Congress, with Republican Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene questioning whether the shooter was on hormone replacement therapy or medications to treat mental illness.

Donald Trump Jr., the former president's son, suggested the FBI and Justice Department monitor "violent factions within the trans community." In Idaho, the head of the state Republican Party invoked the shooting as she called for the governor to sign legislation banning gender-affirming medical care for minors.

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Republican Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene has contributed to anti-trans rhetoric after a school shooting.

For hours on the day of the attack, police identified the shooter as a woman. Later in the day, the police chief said Hale was transgender. In an e-mail the following day, a police spokesperson said Hale "was assigned female at birth" but used masculine pronouns on a social media profile.

Police have said Hale was under a doctor's care for an undisclosed emotional disorder and was not on the radar of police before the attack. Hale was fatally shot by police at the school.

The disinformation surrounding the shooting doesn't surprise Imara Jones, a transgender woman and creator of "The Anti-Trans Hate Machine," a podcast that focuses on the spread of disinformation about transgender people.

Jones noted how quickly false posts spread online falsely identifying a transgender woman as the shooter who killed 19 children and two teachers at a school in Uvalde, Texas, last year.

"This disinformation, one of the things that it is doing is further isolating, stigmatizing and demonizing trans people, allowing us to be targeted by all forms of violence, both from the state and from individuals," Jones said. "That's what the disinformation is doing."

Several hundred bills restricting transgender people's rights have been introduced in statehouses this year, including a resurgence of bathroom bills and bans on gender-affirming care for minors. Transgender people have also faced increasingly hostile rhetoric from lawmakers who are considering these proposals.

Some of the most stringent measures have been enacted in Tennessee, where the Republican governor has signed into law restrictions on drag show performances and a ban on gender-affirming care for minors.

Calif. ban of salmon fishing expected

Prompted by an alarming decline

By Catrin Einhorn
NEW YORK TIMES

This week, officials are expected to shut down all commercial and recreational salmon fishing off California for 2023. Much will be canceled off neighboring Oregon, too.

The reason: An alarming decline of fish stocks linked to the one-two punch of heavily engineered waterways and the supercharged heat and drought that come with climate change. There are new threats in the ocean, too, that are less understood but may be tied to global warming, according to researchers.

Scientists and fishers had been braced for bad numbers. Conditions were terrible a couple of years earlier, when the salmon were young and tiny in low, overheated creeks and rivers in California. But as the fish counts came in and the models spit out figures, the numbers were even more dismal than expected.

Of all the salmon in California, fall-run Chinook were the last ones robust enough for commercial fishing. But this year, fewer than 170,000 are expected to return to Central Valley rivers. That's down from highs of over 1 million as recently as 1995.

While some dips are normal, this one is not.

"California salmon are in dire straits," said Nate Mantua, a climate scientist who leads a team of salmon ecologists and biologists at National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association Fisheries in Santa Cruz, Calif.

The shutdown would mean higher prices and no fresh local salmon in California this year, though it probably would have little or no effect beyond the region.

Salmon are hardy survivors that have lived on Earth far longer than humans. They migrate hundreds of miles from the freshwater creeks where they hatch to the salty ocean and back again, leaping up waterfalls on the return trip. But what's happening in California and Oregon, at the southern end of the range, scientists say, may be a harbinger of what's to come in cooler waters farther north.

"Most of the salmon populations around the entire Pacific Rim have been doing very, very poorly," Mantua said.

Pacific salmon will still be harvested off parts of Oregon, Washington, and Alaska. It's a complicated picture. Some varieties, like sockeye in Alaska's Bristol Bay, are booming. But some Chinook stocks farther north have collapsed. Overall, scientists say, the picture is grim.

The assault on California salmon started two centuries ago. First fur traders wiped out beavers, whose dams created exceptional salmon habitats. Then came the Gold Rush, with hydraulic mining that choked creeks with gravel. Settlers drained and channelized the vast California delta and beyond. Next came dams, those engineering marvels that supplied water for a growing population and turned California into an agricultural powerhouse. In the process of all that, California lost about 90 percent of its wetlands.

The reshaping of water flows cut off salmon from the mountain rivers where they cooled off in summer and from the floodplains, rich with bugs, where they packed on weight in winter. The loss of these and other habitats means the fish are less able to cope with the latest attack: climate change, primarily caused by burning fossil fuels.

While recent rain and snow in California may help salmon rebound in three years, when the fish from this year's eggs are ready to be harvested in the ocean, the intensity of the flooding comes with downsides. Raging torrents can scour the riverbeds where salmon lay their eggs.

Daily Briefing

Judge allows lockdown suit to go forward

DOVER, Del. — A lawsuit against the University of Delaware over its campus shutdown and halting of in-person classes because of coronavirus can proceed as a class action on behalf of thousands of students who were enrolled and paid tuition in spring 2020, a federal judge has ruled.

Friday's decision came just days before a scheduled hearing this week on the university's request for the judge to rule in its favor without a trial. That hearing has been postponed indefinitely.

In his ruling, Judge Stephanos Bibas rejected the university's argument that the plaintiffs lacked standing to sue. The university also argued unsuccessfully that it is impossible to know who actually paid tuition because some students may have used outside sources like scholarships.

More than 17,000 undergraduates were enrolled at the University of Delaware in spring 2020, and the university collected more than $160 million in tuition.

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2021 traffic deaths highest in over decade

DETROIT — Nearly 43,000 people died in US traffic crashes in 2021, the highest number in 16 years with deaths due to speeding and impaired or distracted driving on the rise.

The 2021 final numbers, released Monday by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, confirmed earlier estimates by the agency showing a 10.5 percent increase in deaths over 2020. That's the highest number since 2005 and the largest percentage increase since 1975.

Data show a 12 percent rise in fatal crashes involving at least one distracted driver, with 3,522 people killed. That prompted the agency to kick off a $5 million advertising campaign to keep drivers focused on the road. Agency officials said such cases likely are under-reported by police.

Fatalities involving alcohol-impaired driving were up 14 percent while speeding-related deaths increased 7.9 percent.

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BACK TO THE MOON

NASA announced the astronauts who will fly around the moon by the end of next year during a ceremony on Monday at Houston's Ellington Airport. The Artemis II crew includes (from left) Jeremy Hansen, Victor Glover, Reid Wiseman, and Christina Hammock Koch. The travelers will take a 10-day journey that will not land on the moon but swing around and come back to Earth. **A6.**

Arrest made in robberies, murders of gay men who were drugged in NYC

The New York Police Department said Sunday that a man had been arrested and charged with murder in connection with a series of killings and robberies at Manhattan gay bars that has terrorized the city's LGBTQ community and drawn attention to the use of drugs to incapacitate, rob, and kill.

The man, Jacob Barroso, 30, of New Britain, Conn., was arrested Saturday and charged with the murder of Julio Ramirez, a 25-year-old social worker who died of a drug overdose last April in what the medical examiner described as a "drug-facilitated theft."

Barroso was also charged with robbery, grand larceny, and identity theft, but he had not been arraigned as of Sunday night, the Manhattan district attorney's office said.

The death of Ramirez and a second man, John Umberger, a 33-year-old political consultant who was fatally drugged and robbed in May, spread fear through the city's LGBTQ community and started a broader conversation about similar drug attacks that have long plagued the city's nightlife.

In recent weeks, several people have been indicted in connection with the robberies and killings of Ramirez and Umberger. Barroso is the third person to be arrested and charged in connection with the robberies in those cases, and he is the first to be charged with murder in either case.

NEW YORK TIMES

Virginia teacher shot by 6-year-old sues school officials

RICHMOND, Va. — A Virginia teacher who was shot and seriously wounded by her 6-year-old student filed a lawsuit Monday seeking $40 million in damages from school officials, accusing them of gross negligence and of ignoring multiple warnings the day of the shooting that the boy was armed and in a violent mood.

Abby Zwerner, a first-grade teacher at Richneck Elementary School in Newport News, was shot in the hand and chest on Jan. 6 as she sat at a reading table in her classroom. The 25-year-old teacher spent nearly two weeks in the hospital and required four surgeries.

The shooting sent shock waves through the military shipbuilding community and the country, with many wondering how a child so young could gain access to a gun and shoot his teacher.

The lawsuit names as defendants the Newport News School Board, former superintendent George Parker III, former Richneck principal Briana Foster-Newton, and former Richneck assistant principal Ebony Parker.

Michelle Price, a school board spokesperson, said via e-mail that the board had not yet been served with the lawsuit, adding the school division refers all legal claims information to its insurer.

Foster-Newton's attorney, Pamela Branch, has said she was unaware of reports that the boy had a gun at school on the day of the shooting.

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Teacher Abby Zwerner was shot in the hand and chest.

The World

Counterstrike will test Ukraine's resolve

With new war weapons, Kyiv planning attack

By Andrew E. Kramer
NEW YORK TIMES

In vicious but mostly static fighting in snowy, artillery-cratered fields and ruined cities, Ukraine rebuffed a Russian offensive over the winter. Now, it is Ukraine's turn to go on the attack.

Signs are everywhere that it is coming in the next month or so.

New Western weapons that could prove critical in assaults, like German Leopard 2 tanks and US mine-clearing vehicles, are arriving in Ukraine. Thousands of recruits are training in newly constituted units tailored for offensives. And the military command is holding back elite soldiers from the worst of the fighting in the east, in and around the city of Bakhmut, to throw them instead into the coming campaign.

After more than a year of war, Ukraine is battle hardened. "We are covered in three centimeters of stone," one fighter, Lt. Ilya Samoilenko, said in a recent interview.

But that toughness has come at a steep cost. Ukraine has lost thousands of its most experienced fighters. Now Samoilenko, a veteran commander and survivor of the siege of the city of Mariupol, is using his experience to train new recruits.

The new Ukrainian campaign, when it comes, will be a test of its army's ability to rearm and reconstitute battalions while maintaining the motivation and maneuvering skills that gave it an edge in three previous counteroffensives.

The timing is critical. Success for Ukraine in the battles on the southeastern plains would drive home to the world the declining military might of Russia, ease concerns that the war has settled into a quagmire, and most likely encourage Ukraine's allies to further arm and finance Kyiv in the war.

Western support has been solid so far but is not guaranteed. The US budget for military assistance, for example, is now expected to run out by around September, and a senior American defense official recently described the latest tranche of artillery rounds and rockets sent to Ukraine as a "last-ditch effort."

"The key point in the eyes of Washington elites — and Washington elites are the judge and jury on this — is that Ukraine has to be seen as having gained significant land in the coming offensive," Cliff Kupchan, chairman of the Eurasia Group, a political risk assessment firm in Washington, said in an interview.

The challenges are daunting.

Ukrainian officers will have to choreograph artillery, infantry, and armored vehicle assaults that crash through Russian trenches, tank traps, and minefields. In the south, Russian units have been building defensive positions since they were pushed out of the Kherson region in November. Sophisticated Western tanks, with better survivability and firepower, will be critical in uprooting those positions.

Ukraine had a standing army of about 260,000 soldiers before Russia invaded last year, and it quickly swelled to about 1 million people bearing arms in various branches of the security services and military. Over the past year, about 100,000 Ukrainian soldiers have been killed or wounded, according to Western estimates. Ukraine has not revealed how large a force it will commit to the counteroffensive.

Ukraine is seen as planning to drive a wedge through Russian-occupied territory along the southern coasts of the Black and Azov Seas, near Crimea, or to seek a humiliating turnabout in the fighting in the eastern Donbas region — or both.

If weapons and trained troops fall into place in time, Ukraine is capable of inflicting losses on the Russian army that could have far-reaching geopolitical consequences, Evelyn Farkas, the director of the McCain Institute, said in a telephone interview.

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People in Lviv on Monday celebrated the 33rd anniversary of the raising of the Ukrainian flag over City Hall in 1990.

With no peace in sight, NATO eyes more help for Kyiv

By Hanna Arhirova
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KYIV — Ukraine's Western allies have sent the country $70 billion in military aid to help thwart Russia's full-scale invasion, NATO Secretary General Jens Stoltenberg said Monday, and with no peace negotiations on the horizon, the alliance is gearing up to send more.

"We cannot allow Russia to continue to chip away at European security," Stoltenberg told a news conference in Brussels, adding, "there are no signs that [Russian President Vladimir] Putin is preparing for peace. He is preparing for more war."

NATO foreign ministers meeting in Brussels on Tuesday "will discuss how we can step up our support, including by continuing to strengthen Ukraine's armed forces," Stoltenberg said. "Our support is for the long haul."

Analysts suspect Putin plans to dig in and hold out against a possible Ukraine counteroffensive in the coming months, hoping that the West's costly support for Kyiv will unravel.

Putin's invasion in February 2022 backfired in key respects. It led NATO to deploy more troops and weapons into the territories of its members in Eastern Europe and persuaded Sweden and Finland to scrap their neutrality and seek NATO membership.

Finland will formally join the alliance on Tuesday, Stoltenberg said.

Arrest made in Russia bombing

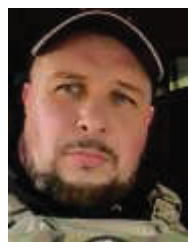
Blame placed on antiwar activists

By Anatoly Kurmanaev and Anton Troianovski
NEW YORK TIMES

The Russian authorities blamed Ukraine and Russian opposition activists on Monday for the bombing that killed a popular prowar blogger a day earlier, signaling that the Kremlin could use the dramatic attack in St. Petersburg to escalate its already harsh crackdown against what remains of antiwar activism in Russia.

The Russian government's Antiterrorism Committee issued a statement claiming, without providing evidence, that the deadly bombing at a prowar gathering at a St. Petersburg café was planned by Ukrainian intelligence agencies, along with "agents" connected to the movement of the imprisoned opposition leader Alexei Navalny.

The police detained a Russian woman on Monday and released a video that it said showed her confessing that she had delivered a statuette containing a bomb to the blogger, who was known as Vladlen Tatarsky. The Antiterrorism Committee claimed she was an "active supporter" of Navalny. An exiled leader of Navalny's movement, Ivan Zhdanov, described the allegations against his team as outrageous and said they were a pretext to extend Navalny's prison term even further.



Russian blogger Vladlen Tatarsky

Dmitry Peskov, the spokesperson for President Vladimir Putin, sounded slightly less definitive in his daily briefing with journalists, cautioning that the investigation into the bombing was continuing. He said that "Ukrainian intelligence agencies may have had something to do with the planning of this terrorist attack."

Still, the fast-moving developments on Monday indicated that the Kremlin was preparing to use the attack — in the heart of Russia's second-largest city — to try to even further ostracize domestic opponents of Russia's invasion of Ukraine and of Putin. Russian news media reports described the woman arrested after the attack, Daria Trepova, as an opponent of the war, citing interviews with her friends.

Tatiana Stanovaya, an analyst for the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, said that the assertions would further divide Russian society.

"All participants in antiwar actions will now automatically become potential terrorists in the eyes of not just law enforcement, but also the 'patriotic' public," she wrote.

The explosion that killed Tatarsky, whose real name was Maksim Fomin, was the most brazen attack on a prominent war supporter inside Russia since the car bombing in August that killed Darya Dugina, the daughter of an ultranationalist ideologue, Aleksandr Dugin. It came amid escalating drone attacks deep inside Russian territory and shelling and deadly raids on the regions bordering Ukraine, violence that has begun to expose residents of major Russian cities to fallout from a war that the Kremlin has sought to portray as a distant "special military operation."

Trepova, a 26-year-old native of St. Petersburg, had appeared on the national police's wanted list earlier on Monday, hours before Russia's investigative police said in a brief statement that she had been arrested in connection with the St. Petersburg bombing.

DAILY BRIEFING

War crimes trial begins for former Kosovo president

THE HAGUE — An international prosecutor declared Monday that "nobody is above the law," as the trial opened for Kosovo's former president and three other defendants on charges including murder and torture in a case that their supporters claim is unjustly targeting revered freedom fighters.

Hashim Thaci resigned from office in 2020 to defend himself against the charges of crimes against humanity and war crimes committed during his country's 1998-99 war for independence from Serbia.

The case has stirred an outpouring of support from across the political spectrum in Kosovo. On Sunday, thousands took to the streets to show their support for the defendants. Many Kosovars consider the Netherlands-based court an injustice.

Prosecutor Alex Whiting said the KLA, a guerrilla force that battled against the powerful Serbian military, had "a very clear and explicit policy of targeting collaborators and perceived traitors including political opponents."

Whiting said prosecutors would prove that the KLA was responsible for hundreds of murders and illegal detentions across Kosovo and northern Albania in 1998 and 1999 and that the four accused are responsible for those crimes.

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MOVED — A Hindu devotee gestured Monday during the chariot festival of Kapaleeswarar temple in Chennai in India. Thousands, many blowing conches and playing musical instruments, witnessed the procession of the car, pulled using two giant ropes, during the annual 10-day long Panguni festival.

Ex-principal guilty in Australia abuse case

The former principal of a girls' school in Melbourne was found guilty Monday on 18 charges of sexually abusing two students more than 15 years ago in a case whose yearslong extradition battle tested relations between Australia and Israel.

The defendant, Malka Leifer, 56, who faced 27 counts of sexual abuse and was acquitted on nine, was on trial for incidents alleged to have taken place between 2003 and 2007, when she was principal of the Adass Israel School, an ultra-Orthodox Jewish institution.

Three sisters — Nicole Meyer, 37, Dassi Erlich, 35, and Elly Sapper, 34 — were named as the victims in the case. Prosecutors said the abuse began when they were students and continued after they became student teachers.

The prosecutors argued that Leifer exploited her authority over the sisters, as well as their vulnerability and lack of knowledge about sexual matters. Leifer's lawyers said that the sisters were unreliable witnesses whose accounts had changed over the years.

NEW YORK TIMES

Malaysia eases stance on death penalty

KUALA LUMPUR — Malaysia's parliament on Monday approved a bill that would scrap mandatory death penalties and limit capital punishment to serious crimes as part of wide-ranging reforms, bringing possible reprieves to more than 1,300 inmates on death row.

While the death sentence remains, courts will now be given the option of imposing jail sentences of between 30 and 40 years and caning not less than 12 times, Deputy Law Minister Ramkarpal Singh said. Previously, courts had no choice but to mandate hanging as punishment for a range of crimes including murder, drug trafficking, treason, kidnapping, and acts of terror.

The reforms include abolishing the death penalty for some offenses that don't cause death that fall under kidnapping and certain firearm crimes, officials said. Natural life imprisonment, in which prisoners are kept behind bars till death, will also be replaced with jail terms of between 30 and 40 years.

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Former premier appears winner of Bulgaria's parliamentary election

SOFIA, Bulgaria — The center-right GERB party of former premier Boyko Borissov appeared to be the winner of Bulgaria's parliamentary election, the country's central electoral commission said Monday, with 99 percent of the ballots counted.

Results showed the GERB party receiving 26.6 percent of the vote, nearly 2 percent more than the pro-Western reformist bloc led by the We Continue the Change party.

Four other parties also appear to have gained seats in the 240-seat chamber.

Riding a wave of pro-Russian sentiment that many in this former communist nation share, the ultranationalist Vazrazhdane party, which opposes any actions against Putin's Russia, boosted support to come in third with 14.2 percent of the vote.

The ethnic Turkish Movement for Rights and Freedoms came in fourth with 13.4 percent.

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Lawmakers on TikTok defend the app's reach to voters

Some Democratic members of Congress use it

By Farnoush Amiri
ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON — Representative Jeff Jackson of North Carolina has used it to explain the complex fight over raising the debt limit. Representative Robert Garcia of California has used it to engage with members of the LGBTQ+ community. And Senator Bob Casey of Pennsylvania has used it to give an overview of Election Day results.

As pressure against TikTok mounts in Washington, the more than two dozen members of Congress — all Democrats — who are active on the social media platform are being pushed by their colleagues to stop using it. Many defend their presence on the platform, saying they have a responsibility as public officials to meet Americans where they are — and more than 150 million are on TikTok.

"I'm sensitive to the ban and recognize some of the security implications. But there is no more robust and expeditious way to reach young people in the United States of America than TikTok," Democratic Representative Dean Phillips of Minnesota told the Associated Press.

Yet the lawmakers active on TikTok remain a distinct minority. Most in Congress are in favor of limiting the app, forcing a sale to remove connections to China, or even banning it outright. The US armed forces and more than half of US states have already banned the app from official devices, as has the federal government. Similar bans have been imposed in Denmark, Canada, Great Britain, and New Zealand, as well as the European Union.

Criticism of TikTok reached a new level last week as its chief executive, Shou Zi Chew, testified for more than six hours at a contentious hearing in the House. Lawmakers grilled Chew about the implications of the app for America's national security and the effect on the mental health of its users. And the tough questions came from both sides of the aisle, as Republicans and Democrats alike pressed Chew about TikTok's content moderation practices, its ability to shield American data from Beijing, and its spying on journalists.

"I've got to hand it to you," said Representative August Pfluger, a Texas Republican, as members questioned Chew over data security and harmful content. "You've actually done something that in the last three to four years has not happened except for the exception of maybe [Russian President] Vladimir Putin. You have unified Republicans and Democrats."

While the hearing made plain that lawmakers view TikTok as a threat, their lack of first-hand experience with the app was apparent at times. Some made inaccurate and head-scratching comments, seemingly not understanding how TikTok connects to a home Wi-Fi router or how it moderates illicit content.

Representative Mark Pocan, a Wisconsin Democrat who is active on the app and opposes a nationwide ban, called the hearing "cringeworthy."

"It was just so painful to watch," he told the AP on Friday. "And it just shows the real problem is Congress doesn't have a lot of expertise, whether it be social media or, for that matter, more importantly, technology."

Garcia, who said he uses TikTok more as a consumer, said most of his colleagues who are proposing a nationwide ban told him they had never used the app. "It gets hard to understand if you're not actually on it," the freshman Democrat said. "And at the end of the day, a lot of TikTok is harmless people dancing and funny videos."

Representative Jamaal Bowman, a New York Democrat, who has more than 180,000 followers on the app, held a news conference with TikTok influencers before the hearing. He accused Republicans of pushing a ban on TikTok for political reasons.

"There are 150 million people on TikTok and we are more connected to them than Republicans are," Bowman said. "So for them, it's all about fear-mongering and power. It's not TikTok, because, again, we've looked the other way and allowed Facebook and other platforms to do similar things."

Critics of TikTok in Congress say their opposition is rooted in national security, not politics. TikTok is a wholly owned subsidiary of Chinese technology firm ByteDance Ltd., which appoints its executives. They worry Chinese authorities could force ByteDance to hand over TikTok data on American users, effectively turning the app into a data-mining operation for a foreign power. The company insists it is taking steps to make sure that can never happen.

Biden talks policies as Trump's issues grab the attention

POLITICAL NOTEBOOK

FRIDLEY, Minn. — President Biden ventured to suburban Minneapolis on Monday to talk about factory jobs and contrast his agenda with "the last guy who had this job." The "last guy," as Biden calls Donald Trump, was simultaneously touching down in New York to become the first former president to be arrested.

The Biden White House, which has shied away from involvement in the legal spectacle surrounding Trump, hoped to turn the split-screen moment into a chance to showcase the president's accomplishments and relatively drama-free administration. It represented a rehash of the choice that voters made in 2020 — and might have to make again in 2024 — as both men intend to seek the White House.

Biden offered himself as a veteran policy maker while Trump aimed to use Tuesday's arraignment on criminal charges to generate campaign donations and fire up Republican voters.

Biden sought to highlight job growth and investments nationwide while pushing clean energy and manufacturing in the United States during his visit to engine maker Cummins Inc. The company announced in conjunction with his visit that it's investing more than $1 billion in its US engine manufacturing network in Indiana, North Carolina, and New York to update facilities so they can produce low- to zero-carbon engines.

Biden's team saw Monday's trip to the Cummins facility as a way to sharpen the contrast with Trump. If Trump gobbles up attention, administration officials say, Biden wants his message to be squarely focused on the American middle class.

Other members of Biden's administration are traveling to more than 20 states this week to buttress his message. Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen, for example, went to Connecticut on Monday for a fireside chat at Yale University on the economic agenda.

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President Biden greeted people after he spoke during a visit to the Cummins Power Generation facility in Fridley, Minn.

Alaska oil construction allowed as lawsuits play out

JUNEAU — Construction can proceed related to a major oil project on Alaska's petroleum-rich North Slope after a federal judge on Monday rejected requests to halt work until challenges to the Biden administration's recent approval are resolved.

The decision means ConocoPhillips Alaska can forge ahead with cold-weather construction work, including mining gravel and using it to extend a road toward the Willow project.

US District Court Judge Sharon Gleason said support for the project by Alaska political leaders — including state lawmakers and Alaska's bipartisan congressional delegation — was a key factor in her decision. She said she gave "considerable weight" to the support for Willow by an Alaska Native village corporation, an Alaska Native regional corporation, and the North Slope Borough, while also recognizing that support for the project among Alaska Natives is not unanimous.

Environmental groups and an Alaska Native organization, Sovereign Iñupiat for a Living Arctic, had urged Gleason to delay construction related to Willow.

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GOP's Turner: US support for Ukraine aid 'overwhelming'

KYIV — The head of the US House Intelligence Committee said Monday there is "overwhelming" support in the United States to continue supplying aid to Ukraine in its fight against Russia, despite vocal opposition from a hard-right faction of his own Republican Party.

Representative Michael Turner of Ohio, the Republican chairman of the committee, which serves as the House's main body for overseeing American intelligence organizations, spoke alongside three other GOP congressmen during a brief visit to Kyiv.

"There are those on the left and on the right who question continued support or the amount of support. That will certainly be part of the debate," Turner said. "But overwhelmingly, there is support for continuing aid to Ukraine, so that they can continue to fight against this aggression of Russia."

The trip to the Ukrainian capital was the latest effort from top-ranking Republicans in the House, who are laying the groundwork for continued US assistance but facing opposition in their own ranks.

Emboldened by former president Donald Trump's "America First" approach, many on the right are clamoring for the Ukraine aid to come to an end, creating the potential for a politically bruising fight when the current American assistance runs out.

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Veto stands: Transgender pronouns OK in N.D. schools

Teachers in North Dakota can still refer to transgender students by the personal pronouns they use, after lawmakers on Monday failed to override the governor's veto of a controversial bill to place restrictions on educators.

House lawmakers fell short of the two-thirds majority needed to block the veto, days after Republican Governor Doug Burgum's office announced the veto and the Senate overrode it.

The bill would have prohibited public school teachers and employees from acknowledging the personal pronouns a transgender student uses, unless they received permission from the student's parents as well as a school administrator.

It would have also prohibited government agencies from requiring employees to acknowledge the pronouns a transgender colleagues uses.

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Spending in Wis. Supreme Court race tops $42 million

MADISON, Wis. — Spending on the high stakes Wisconsin Supreme Court race has topped $42 million, nearly triple the previous national record for a court race, with the Democratic-backed candidate having a roughly $6 million advantage, according to a report released on Monday just before polls opened.

The winner in Tuesday's election between Democratic-backed Janet Protasiewicz and Republican-backed Dan Kelly will determine majority control of the court, with issues like abortion access, redistricting, and more than a decade of Republican priorities hanging in the balance.

As of Monday, Protasiewicz and her backers have spent about $23.3 million compared with about $17.6 million for Kelly and his supporters, according to a report from the Wisconsin Democracy Campaign, which tracks campaign spending. The previous record high in a court race was $15 million in Illinois in 2004.

Protasiewicz has spent nearly $12 million compared with Kelly's more than $2.2 million. Protasiewicz's campaign has received nearly $9 million from the state Democratic Party, based on the latest campaign finance reports. Kelly, who previously worked for the state and national Republican parties, has also gotten financial backing and in-kind contributions in this race from the state GOP and county parties.

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Fla. bill to carry concealed guns without permit signed

TALLAHASSEE — Floridians will be able to carry concealed guns without a permit under a bill Republican Governor Ron DeSantis signed Monday, giving the governor another legislative victory as he prepares a campaign for president.

The governor signed the bill in a private ceremony in his office. His only immediate public comment was, "Constitutional Carry is in the books," which he said in a three-paragraph news release.

The new law will allow anyone who can legally own a gun in Florida to carry one without a permit. It takes effect July 1.

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Right-wing media splits from Florida's DeSantis on press protections

Proposed bills raise ire among some outlets

By Ken Bensinger
NEW YORK TIMES

Governor Ron DeSantis has long courted right-wing news outlets, while dismissing mainstream reporters as biased and untrustworthy. But legislation that would sharply curb press freedom in Florida is creating a rare rift between the governor and the media that have helped propel his rise.

The legislation, drafted at DeSantis's urging as he inches toward a presidential bid, takes aim at several protections in state and federal law, including the decades-old Supreme Court precedent that makes it difficult for public figures to win libel lawsuits. The proposals are packaged in two bills moving through the Republican-controlled Legislature.

While public opposition has largely come from left-leaning and nonpartisan free-speech groups, forces traditionally aligned with DeSantis have in recent weeks begun raising alarm. They are warning that the governor and his GOP allies did not take into account how the bills would affect right-wing reporters and commentators, not just the mainstream outlets that have become punching bags for Republican politicians.

"The sword cuts both ways," Trey Radel, a radio talk show host and former Republican congressman, said late last month as he railed against the legislation on his evening drive-time show.

Radel argued the two proposed bills could prompt a torrent of costly libel suits against conservative websites and talk and news stations such as the one that broadcasts his program, a Fox News affiliate in Fort Myers. Such litigation could put stations like his out of business, he added, "and here is who's going to pay the biggest price politically: Ron DeSantis."

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Conservative media outlets said the legislation failed to take into account how they would be affected.

The legislation being considered in Tallahassee seeks to challenge the longstanding Supreme Court precedent known as New York Times v. Sullivan — which protects publishers of all sorts from defamation suits unless an error is found to be willful or the result of negligence.

The legislation would also eliminate several protections for journalists in Florida, narrow the definition of a public figure, and establish the presumption that any statement from an anonymous source, including whistle-blowers, is automatically deemed false.

Throughout his political career, DeSantis has relied heavily on conservative media, slipping well-timed scoops to outlets such as Breitbart News and The Epoch Times and frequently appearing on prime-time shows on Fox News. He has cast mainstream reporters as hostile and suggested the news media has abused its protection afforded in the First Amendment.

Marc Randazza, a First Amendment lawyer who has represented numerous right-wing outlets in libel suits, notes that the legislation would most likely have a chilling effect on the press.

News outlets may think twice before covering difficult topics or criticizing public figures if an unintentional error could end in a costly judgment; it could also drive up insurance rates, forcing some companies to shutter.

A spokesman for DeSantis, Jeremy Redfern, did not respond to questions about the rising pushback from the right. Redfern said only it was "encouraging to see the Legislature taking up the important topic of media accountability and joining the conversation that the governor began earlier this year."

On Saturday, The Gateway Pundit, a far right news site, published an editorial opposing the House bill, stating that if it "is passed, there is no doubt that conservative media outlets will suffer." Even the founder of Florida's Voice, one of DeSantis's most reliably friendly outlets, has come out against the legislation, tweeting last month that it would allow the left to "weaponize this law against their enemies."

National media outlets have not spoken out publicly.

Newsmax, a right-wing network, did not respond to a request for comment, nor did Salem Media Group, which produces conservative radio shows and podcasts.

Concerns about the legislation aren't limited to the press. Provisions in the bills would increase payouts to plaintiffs, while making it more costly for defendants to fight litigation. They would also allow defamation suits to be brought virtually anywhere in Florida, allowing for forum-shopping to increase plaintiffs' chances of winning.

As Trump readies for arrest, NYC prepares for protests

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thinking of coming to our city tomorrow, our message is clear and simple: Control yourselves," Adams said at a news conference Monday. "New York is our home and not a place for your misplaced anger."

The indictment that set off the furor is linked to a payment made during the 2016 election to buy the silence of porn actress Stormy Daniels. Daniels has said she had a brief sexual relationship with Trump in 2006. Trump denies the affair.

On Monday, Trump added a new lawyer to his defense team, a former federal prosecutor with wide experience in white-collar cases. The lawyer, Todd Blanche, will work with Susan Necheles and Joseph Tacopina, who have been representing Trump in the investigation by Bragg's office.

Bragg's case against Trump has already roiled the national political landscape, and Trump has attacked the proceedings as a partisan move aimed at crippling his bid for the Republican nomination for president in 2024.

The indictment is the result of one of several investigations into Trump's conduct. In Georgia, the Fulton County district attorney is examining whether he attempted to pressure state officials into swaying the state into his column in the 2020 election. A federal special counsel is looking into the case of classified documents found in his possession and his involvement in the Jan. 6, 2021, riot at the US Capitol that was intended to block the certification of the vote.

But Bragg was the first prosecutor to move, turning himself into an immediate lightning rod for bitter criticism from Trump's Republican allies and rivals alike. And the charges, which will be unsealed Tuesday, forced Trump's dramatic return to a city where he grew up and rose to the fame that catapulted him to the presidency.

His appearance has put the city on edge, stoking concern over the possibility of unrest as Trump is fingerprinted and processed.

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A supporter of former president Trump held a flag outside Trump Tower on Monday in New York City.

In warning protesters, Adams singled out conservative Representative Marjorie Taylor Greene, Republican of Georgia, a staunch Trump backer who has criticized the decision to indict Trump. She has advertised a demonstration planned for Tuesday with Jack Posobiec, an Internet conspiracy theorist, and Graham Allen, a right-wing commentator.

"Although we have no specific threats, people like Marjorie Taylor Greene, who is known to spread misinformation and hate speech, she stated she's coming to town. When you're in town, be on your best behavior," Adams said.

Shortly after his comments, Greene posted on Twitter: "Now Mayor Adams is threatening me. Unbelievable."

President Biden said on a Monday visit to Minnesota that he was confident that New York authorities could handle any trouble. "I have faith in the New York Police Department," he said.

Although Trump encouraged protests last month to "TAKE OUR NATION BACK" in announcing that he expected to be arrested, he has not made any specific call to action for Tuesday comparable to his Dec. 19, 2020, post on Twitter that explicitly summoned supporters to a rally in Washington on Jan. 6.

It is not clear whether Trump plans to make a statement in New York after he is indicted. Even if he does, signs are scant that the overt coordination of mass protests that characterized the weeks and months before Jan. 6 has taken place.

On Monday, Trump left his estate, Mar-a-Lago, and landed in New York at 3:28 p.m. He was taken in a motorcade to Trump Tower, where at least four helicopters hovered. Dozens of police officers and detectives stood near the entrance, and photographers scrambled up ladders to gain vantage points for their shots. Trump waved briefly to supporters behind police barricades.

Ariel Kohane, 51, of Manhattan gathered with others behind pro-Trump banners. He said he showed up to "voice my outrage over what even some Democrats are saying is political persecution."

"This has nothing to do with law and order," he said. "It's about stopping him from running and winning in 2024."

A protester in a black clown costume squeezed a horn to harass Trump supporters. When one responded with his own air horn, an ensuing shoving match had to be broken up by police.

Even if Trump's arraignment were to touch off disturbances in New York, authorities seemed to have learned valuable lessons from the Capitol riot and from the challenges posed by the nationwide protests against police violence in 2020. The New York City Police Department, state law enforcement agencies, the Secret Service, and the US Marshals Service have coordinated efforts and increased intelligence collection.

Robert Reilly, a former FBI agent in New Jersey who handled domestic terrorism cases, said New York City itself was a deterrent, and it poses an elemental problem that does not exist in other locations where violent protests have occurred, such as Washington and Charlottesville, Va. "It is too far, and too many tolls," he said, "and nowhere to park."

Trump's new lawyer, Blanche, 48, has a reputation as an aggressive but measured advocate as well as has ties to Trump's legal team. He represents Boris Epshteyn, a top adviser to Trump who is said to have told people he thought Blanche was the right choice to represent the former president, according to multiple people familiar with the matter.

Blanche also represented Paul Manafort, Trump's former campaign chairman, after the Manhattan district attorney's office indicted Manafort on charges of mortgage fraud and other state felonies in 2019.

The state charges were similar to those on which Manafort was found guilty in federal court in 2018 — a conviction for which he received a pardon from Trump. The state charges were thrown out on double-jeopardy grounds, the prohibition against charging someone twice for the same crime.

Blanche's other clients have included Igor Fruman, a Soviet-born former associate of Rudy Giuliani's who pleaded guilty in 2021 and was sentenced to 366 days in prison on a count of soliciting a political contribution from a foreign donor.

Blanche declined to comment Monday. He has resigned from the law firm Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft, a firm spokesperson confirmed Monday, declining further comment. Blanche joined Cadwalader, where he was a partner, in 2017.

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Philippines picks camps for US forces amid China fury

Allows troops to be stationed indefinitely

By Jim Gomez
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MANILA — The Philippine government on Monday identified four new military camps, including some across the sea from Taiwan, where rotating batches of American forces will be allowed to be stationed indefinitely despite strong objections from China.

President Ferdinand Marcos Jr.'s administration announced in February his approval of an expansion of the US military presence to four additional Philippine military bases from the five existing sites under the 2014 Enhanced Defense Cooperation Agreement between the longtime treaty allies.

Marcos said the move would boost the Philippines' coastal defense. It dovetails with the Biden administration's efforts to strengthen an arc of military alliances in the Indo-Pacific to better counter China, including in any future confrontation over Taiwan.

The new sites identified by Marcos's office include a Philippine navy base in Santa Ana and an international airport in Lallo, both in northern Cagayan province. Those locations have infuriated Chinese officials because they would provide US forces with a staging ground close to southern China and Taiwan, the self-governed island Beijing claims as its own.

The two other military areas are in northern Isabela province and a navy camp on Balabac island in the western province of Palawan.

Palawan faces the South China Sea, a key passage for global trade that Beijing claims virtually in its entirety and has taken increasingly aggressive actions that have threatened smaller claimant states, including the Philippines.

China and the Philippines, along with Vietnam, Malaysia, Brunei, and Taiwan, have been locked in increasingly tense territorial disputes over the busy and resource-rich South China Sea. Washington lays no claims to the strategic waters but has deployed warships and fighter and surveillance aircraft for patrols that it says promote freedom of navigation and the rule of law, angering Beijing.

"That's a trade route, that's where more or less $3 trillion worth of trade passes. Our responsibility in collectively securing that is huge," said Carlito Galvez, who heads the Philippine Defense Department.

The four new military sites for American forces are "suitable and mutually beneficial" and will "boost the disaster response of the country" as a springboard for humanitarian and relief work during emergencies, Marcos's office said.

In a statement, the US Department of Defense said the new locations "will strengthen the interoperability of the U.S. and Philippine Armed Forces and allow us to respond more seamlessly together to address a range of shared challenges in the Indo-Pacific region."

In a meeting last month with Philippine officials in Manila, however, a Chinese Foreign Ministry delegation expressed its strong opposition to an expanded US military presence in the Philippines and warned of repercussions for regional peace and stability, a Philippine official involved in the talks said at the time.

Philippine diplomats replied that the decision to allow an expanded American military presence was in the Philippines' national interest and would boost its ability to respond to natural disasters, the official said.

NASA names Artemis II crew

Trip scheduled for late next year

By Kenneth Chang
NEW YORK TIMES

HOUSTON — For the first time in more than half a century, NASA has named a crew of astronauts headed to the moon.

They are Reid Wiseman, the mission's commander; Victor Glover, the pilot; Christina Koch, mission specialist; and Jeremy Hansen, also a mission specialist. The first three are NASA astronauts, while Hansen is a member of the Canadian Space Agency.

"So am I excited?" Koch said during an event unveiling the crew at Ellington Field, a small airport used by NASA for training astronauts. "Absolutely. But my real question is, are you excited?"

The assembled crowd cheered in response.

It is a major step in NASA's Artemis program to send astronauts back to the surface of the moon to explore the cold regions near the moon's south pole where water ice can be found in the deep, dark craters. From the experience on the moon, NASA hopes to chart a path to putting humans on Mars, while scientists expect to use what is found there to answer questions about how the solar system formed.

"Together, we are going — to the moon, to Mars, and beyond," said Bill Nelson, the NASA administrator.

But the four astronauts aboard this next mission, Artemis II, will not land on the moon.

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Children waited for the Artemis II crew announcement at NASA Johnson Space Center's Ellington Field in Houston Monday.

Instead, the travelers will take a 10-day journey that will swing around the moon and come back to Earth. It is currently scheduled for late next year, and it will be the first time that humans have ventured more than a few hundred miles off the planet since the return of Apollo 17, NASA's last moon mission, in 1972.

"It's an exciting time for the Artemis people, no question about it," Harrison Schmitt, the last surviving astronaut from Apollo 17, said in an interview. He added that many people did not "fully realize that we're about three generations away from any experience with human beings being in deep space, and that's probably the most important part of the mission."

Schmitt, who is also a former US senator, said he was not necessarily surprised that it had taken so long. "I would say I'm disappointed," he said. "A lot of things conspired to stop the Apollo program and to keep us from going back for quite a while."

Astronauts in 2023 are much different than those of the moon race era. During the Apollo program, 24 astronauts flew to the moon, and 12 of them stepped on the surface. All of them were Americans. All of them were white men, many of whom were test pilots.

This time, the astronaut corps reflects a wider swath of society.

During the event, Wiseman said it said it was "awesome" to command an international, diverse crew.

Glover was the commander of the first operational mission of SpaceX's Crew Dragon to the International Station and was the first Black man to serve as a crew member on the orbiting outpost.

Koch will be the first woman to venture beyond low-Earth orbit, and Hansen, as a Canadian, the first non-American to travel that far.

Hansen noted that the United States could have undertaken the Artemis missions by itself but instead chose to pull together an international collaboration with Canada and the European Space Agency. That agreement reserved a seat for a Canadian astronaut on Artemis II.

"All of Canada is grateful for that global mindset and that leadership," Hansen said.

Wiseman said he wanted the moon missions "to bring our country together, to bring the world together."

Artemis II will be the second in NASA's Artemis program. Artemis I launched last November as an uncrewed test of the Space Launch System, NASA's giant new rocket, and the Orion astronaut capsule. The Orion spacecraft spent two weeks in orbit around the moon before returning to Earth, splashing down in the Pacific.

After years of delay — development of the rocket took longer than originally promised — the Artemis I mission progressed smoothly for the most part, although some problems occurred.

Parisians vote to ban electric scooters

Some say rentals pose danger

By Tom Nouvian
NEW YORK TIMES

PARIS — An overwhelming majority of Parisians who took part in a referendum on rental electric scooters have voted to ban the devices from the streets of the French capital, reflecting exhaustion with a public-transit alternative that was once seen as convenient and climate-friendly but is now largely regarded as dangerous and environmentally questionable.

Relatively few people turned out on Sunday for the referendum — only about 100,000 Parisians voted, less than 7.5 percent of those eligible — but those who did cast ballots left little doubt about what they wanted: Nearly 89 percent backed the ban.

The mayor of Paris, Anne Hidalgo, who once backed the expansion of rental electric scooters to cut traffic, led the campaign against them, describing them as a "nuisance."

Although the referendum, described as a "public consultation," was nonbinding, Hidalgo, a member of the Socialist Party, said that she was "committed to respecting the results of the vote."

With the operators' contracts expiring at the end of August, Hidalgo said, "there will be no more self-service scooters in Paris" come Sept. 1. However, privately owned scooters will still be permitted.

The decision could have implications for other cities, such as Rome, San Francisco, and Stockholm, that initially embraced the electric scooters but have now begun tightening regulations.

Paris is one of the largest markets for rental scooters in the world, recording about 20 million trips on 15,000 rental scooters in 2022. But in the same year, the national road safety department, Sécurité Routière, said that 34 people had died and 570 others had been seriously injured in France while riding an electric scooter or similar mobility device.

The French National Academy of Medicine also weighed in, saying that it considered the electric rental scooters a "major health problem."

"We consider it a victory. Paris is a symbol," said Arnaud Kielbasa, who set up an association for scooter victims in 2019 after someone riding one knocked down his wife, who had been holding their 7-week-old baby girl. The child was hospitalized with a concussion. Since then, Kielbasa had been publicly pushing against the rental operators' promotion of the scooters as safe, environmentally friendly, and an easy mode of public transportation.

"On top of saving people from death and injury, we also have the satisfaction of pushing back the uberization of our country," he said.

First arriving in Paris in 2018, the motorized version of the children's toy was welcomed by Hidalgo, in her efforts to green the city and reduce its congestion.

In 2019, a rider was hit by a van and killed, becoming the first but far from the last rental scooter fatality in the city.

Silk party is a magical celebration of community

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place."

It started with 36-year-old Chimel "DJ Real P" Idiokitas. The people's DJ. He started DJing at 15, spinning parties at Freedom House. Hip-hop, afrobeats, drill, house, reggae — he's played it all.

After years of doing residencies at Boston nightclubs like Venu and ICON, he wanted to curate a different kind of night. More and more, he was slipping R&B into his sets, an homage to the artists so many of our favorite hip-hop hits sample from. He creates a bridge between genres and generations. Another DJ, Braun Dapper, suggested they expand that vibe and make it a night. "He pushed me to think outside the box," Real P says. "I think music is this language that we can all understand, and if we are able to create that vehicle for people to bond that's amazing."

And thus Silk was born as a residency at The W.

Silk sold out again and again. Real P prides himself on collaborating with other DJs, so he invited local and national spinners to join the night, a tradition that continues today.

The collaborations weren't always the longtime Boston DJ names. In fact, it was a young guest DJ who became Real P's right hand. The two of them together are the foundation on which Silk has boomed.

Baby Indiglo started making mixes as a teenager on SoundCloud and Tumblr. She only began officially DJing parties in 2019, when she was barely the legal drinking age of 21. And that's the year Real P invited her to play a set.

"I feel like it was the best Silk to date at The W," Real P says of her debut. "It felt different, there was this multigenerational energy. I asked her to be a resident and I am glad she said yes. The rest is history."

Makayla Alexander is Baby Indiglo. At 25 years old, she prides herself on being a student of the music. A native of Inglewood, Calif., she grew up between the West Coast and Massachusetts. Her influences span the coasts and the diaspora.

For her, that means a sound that infuses the soul, beats, and energy of Teena Marie, Dom Kennedy, Kendrick Lamar, with Fela Kuti, and Pharrell. For us in the crowd, it's a wave of wonder and memory.

"At a time like now, when everything is extra heavy, R&B brings people together," Baby Indiglo says. "It lifts anxiety, stress, whatever you have been going through. It brings me back to a family cookout at my grandma's house. I always want to bring that type of feel into the party."

And the party got bigger and bigger. They were outgrowing The W.

When the pandemic began and we pressed pause on party culture, it could have been the end of Silk. But Robert Eugene, a restaurateur and marketing genius with a long history of party promotion in Boston, reached out to Real P with encouragement. As a national manager for Team Hennessy, he has relationships with venues across the city, including places like La Fabrica and Big Night Live. And in 2022, he used those connections to ensure Silk opened a new chapter.

SHAMARI HUMPHRIES

DJs Baby Indiglo (left), and Real P, along with Robert Eugene, a national manager for Team Hennessy.

"Rob has this big, infectious personality," says Ed Kane, cofounder of Big Night, the dining and nightlife collective behind Big Night Live. "I love him. He talked to our head of VIP about doing the night here and my team was enthralled with it. I didn't know Real P before but he is amazing. What he and Baby Indiglo have created, the messaging is good and something magical."

They just celebrated a year of that magical something Silk brings to Big Night Live last week. And even with a special guest, nationally loved DJ Drama of Gangsta Grillz fame, Real P and Indiglo shined just as bright.

The magic is in the music and in the people. We plan around the monthly party date. We download the official Silk playlists. We feel the magic of Silk because Silk is a reflection of us.

For Real P, Silk is a lot like a reclamation. While Boston's Black community is often overlooked, it's Black Boston that raised him. A Roxbury son.

"I don't have the perspective that we are not seen," Real P says. "We may have to take our stake a little more, and I feel like that's what we are doing. . . . We belong downtown. We shouldn't just be relegated to small halls in Mattapan or Roxbury. We can fill up a Big Night Live. I love my city."

And the city loves Silk. Embrace Boston collaborated with Silk for their Embrace Ideas festival. Real P has been a community partner for city events, museums, and collectives like Side Presents, Boston While Black, and more.

"Seeing all of those people singing at the top of their lungs is a unifying experience," says Greg Ball, director of Embrace Ideas for Embrace Boston. "It's a snapshot of what happens when we all come together."

Ultimately, Silk centers love. Black love. There is the love of a chosen brother and sister that is Real P and Baby Indiglo, there is the love they have for the music, for Boston, and the love that Boston, especially Black Boston, has for them.

"I think Black love, when it's person to person, there is this kind of a match that happens, a light," says Real P. "We all naturally have that and tap into it. R&B ignites that light and that's why it's beautiful."

That glow, that heart and soul, is for everyone of all ages and identities. And that magic of Silk is captured by their motto:

All R&B. All love. All night.

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MBTA drifts off course in plan for all-electric bus fleet

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rebuilt garages will have to operate at full capacity by 2028, storing around 355 new battery electric buses. But all three of those projects are already behind schedule.

Six more garages will need to be rebuilt or retrofitted and filled with hundreds more buses by 2040 to meet the agency's legal deadline of 100 percent electrification, according to the T's plan. The state's clean energy law, which passed last year, says the T has to stop purchasing fossil fuel-powered buses by Dec. 31, 2030, and operate only "zero-emission" buses by Dec. 31, 2040.

As of last year, the T had 1,148 buses; of which, five were battery electric, 568 diesel-electric hybrid, and the remaining used diesel, compressed natural gas, or were "dual-mode," using a combination of diesel and overhead wire electricity.

The series of delays and budget problems plaguing bus electrification have come during a year when the Massachusetts Bay Transportation Authority has struggled to maintain even its most basic service. Widespread slow zones cover the subway tracks, and the T has slashed bus and subway frequencies due to challenges in hiring and retaining workers. And the T's woes are potentially harming the environment in other ways: Riders tell the Globe they are frequently late to work and appointments and are increasingly relying on ride-hailing apps or are saving for a car.

Advocates and lawmakers say MBTA bus electrification must remain a priority to meet the state's emissions reduction goals and avoid the worst effects of climate change. The new, expanded garages are also key to the T's bus network redesign project, which aims to grow the bus fleet and increase service by 25 percent from pre-pandemic levels.

"We definitely need a T that is providing reliable service, greater frequency of service, more routes," said Veena Dharmaraj, director of transportation at Sierra Club Massachusetts. "We need to advance multiple policy initiatives simultaneously. We can't be looking at one thing first, and another thing four years down the line."

Transportation is the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions in Massachusetts, responsible for 37 percent in 2020. Though public bus emissions make up a small fraction of the sector's emissions overall, the T's bus fleet — with predictable routes, bulk procurements, and dedicated charging sites — represents the low-hanging fruit in the state's pursuit to electrify more complicated sectors, including private vehicles and buildings, said Johannes Epke, staff attorney at the Conservation Law Foundation Massachusetts.

"If we don't get this piece right, it doesn't bode well for the state reaching electrification and climate goals more broadly," Epke said.

The first garage set to be retrofitted with enough chargers for 35 battery electric buses, in North Cambridge, is now expected to open in 2025, at least a year behind schedule. Design modifications for fire mitigation and "global supply chain issues" increased the budget from $25 million to $43 million, T spokesperson Joe Pesaturo said.

The second garage, located in Quincy, was already a year behind schedule as of February. The T said then that the 120-bus facility would be completed in December 2025. Now, it's not slated to open until the summer of 2026, Pesaturo said, because of "global supply chain issues."

The third and largest garage, for 200 buses, on the Arborway in Jamaica Plain, is now projected to open in 2028, Pesaturo said, a year behind schedule.

And the T still hasn't purchased any new battery electric buses, despite a request for proposals last April that required the first ones to arrive as soon as this month.

The T plans to have its board of directors vote this spring to purchase up to 460 battery electric buses, Pesaturo said. But the purchase would deliver buses at a slower pace than initially planned. Instead of 45 buses arriving next year, Pesaturo said 10 buses would arrive, and chargers will be installed at Cabot garage in South Boston to accommodate the buses while the T finishes the other facilities.

The delays mean that fossil fuel powered buses will continue to operate in most areas where battery electric buses were planned to start carrying passengers next year.

State Representative Steve Owens, a Democrat who represents part of Cambridge and Watertown, said he is disappointed that the North Cambridge garage design issues were not worked out ahead of time. He had hoped the use of diesel buses in the area would be minimal, he said, after the T removed from the area its electric buses that used overhead wires last year.

"We only have a certain number of years left to turn our carbon emissions around," he said. "The T is not known for acting fast, so we need to get them to act as quickly as possible."

The delays on the first three garages may put the T behind on its plans to open more new ones at a faster pace in coming years — with two more planned by 2030 and four more by 2040 — said Epke.

"I will be very surprised if they'll be able to make that time back up," she said. "That's a big concern that we're looking at."

State Senator Mike Barrett, a Democrat and chair of the Joint Committee on Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, said he is "very concerned about any threat" to the T's legal obligations to electrify its bus fleet.

"We need an MBTA that can bring projects in on time and on budget," he said. "You're going to see significantly cleaner air in the suburbs where people can work remotely and afford electric vehicles, and you're going to see significantly dirtier air where people hold face-to-face jobs and cannot afford expensive new cars."

Brian Kane, executive director of the MBTA Advisory Board, called on the T to create a dedicated leader and team whose sole focus is bus facility modernization, similar to the internal team that finished the Green Line Extension when that project faced major delays in 2016.

"There needs to be a bus facility czar," Kane said. "It's too important."

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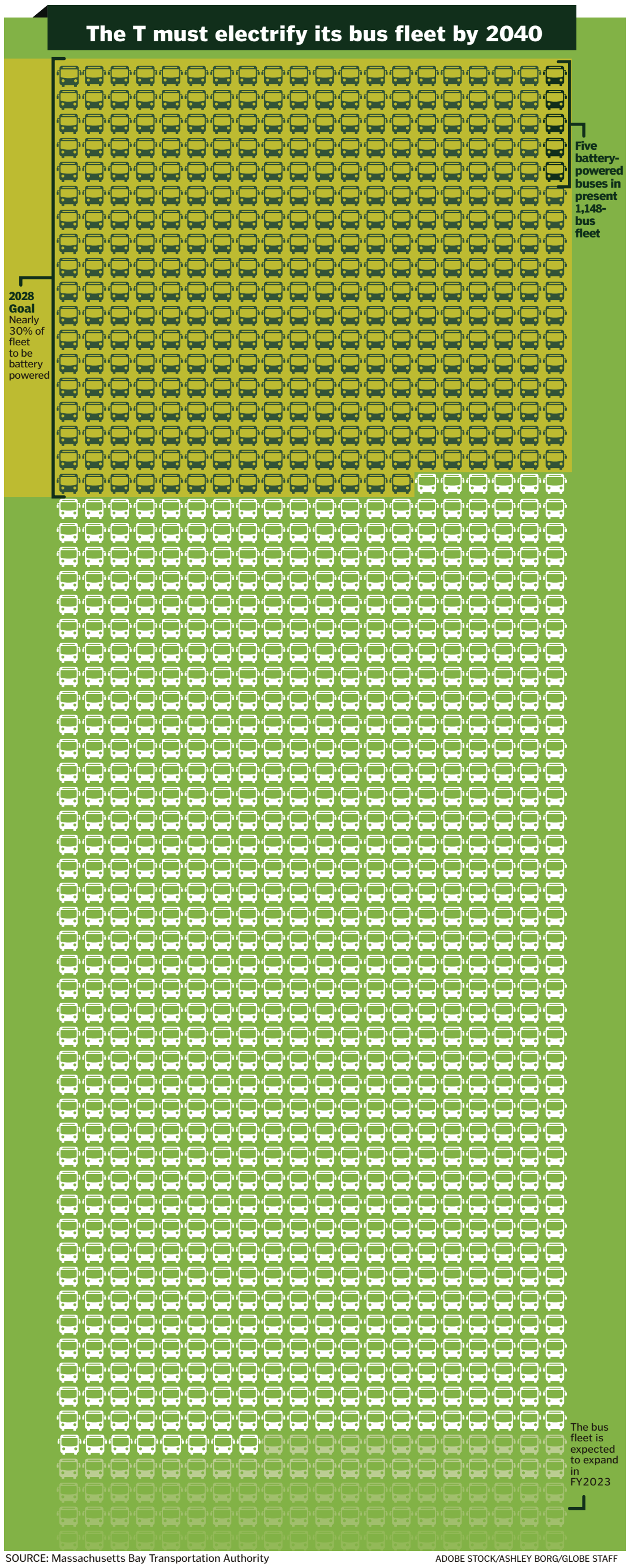
The MBTA has until 2040 to make all of its buses electric-powered.


The T must electrify its bus fleet by 2040
Five battery-powered buses in present 1,148-bus fleet
2028 Goal
Nearly 30% of fleet to be battery powered
The bus fleet is expected to expand in FY2023

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Desperate to hire, T bolsters incentives

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near future, officials said.

The Taxpayers Foundation, in the latest of a series of reports on the financial and operational status of the critical transportation system, said its analysis of MBTA payroll data, state demographics, and studies by both industry groups and nonprofits indicate daunting challenges for T efforts to boost its workforce.

"The MBTA is struggling to find the talent it needs to deliver full bus and rapid transit services today, let alone the expanded services being planned or proposed," the study found. "Factoring in the length of time to qualify, hire and train new employees, these shortages are likely to persist, causing services to run less frequently than a year ago."

The study's findings came as no surprise to one transit specialist, who said the T's problems around staffing, infrastructure, and safety have been getting worse for years, leaving the agency desperately trying to play catch-up.

"It's death by 1,000 cuts," said Stacy Thompson, executive director of LivableStreets Alliance, a public transportation advocacy group. "Every report that goes to the control board has been pointing this out."

The foundation, citing an industry study, said 35 percent of the people offered jobs by a transportation agency reject the offer — twice the rate for other industries — and that 45 percent of people leaving a job in transit completely exit from the field.

"The MBTA now finds itself with separate challenges that each worsen the workforce pinch: first, people are less attracted to public transit employment when presented with options and second, its aging workforce and generous pension benefits lead to a growing number of retirements," the foundation said Monday.

As of the end of March, the T's head count was 5,756 while the upcoming fiscal year budget calls for 7,600 workers on the agency payroll "to backfill 1,088 current vacancies, address safety matters, add staffing for bus network design, operate the green line extension (GLX), and implement its fare transformation program," the foundation report said.

With 1,000 people expected to leave the T due to retirement and other reasons, the agency "has to hire 2,800 workers within the next 12 months," the foundation said.

Thompson said the labor shortage is being felt by large and small transit systems across the country. A March report by the American Public Transportation Association found 96 percent of 190 transit agencies the group surveyed reported a shortage of workers, with work schedules and compensation listed as the leading reasons why people quit.

"To say that this is unique to the T would be inaccurate," Thompson said in an interview Monday. "The labor shortages have many root causes, but the heart of this is that some of these jobs are really tough, and we need to be looking at compensation structures and the hours folks are working. These are fixable problems ... but it often requires more money and a stronger strategy."

Thompson said it sometimes takes a couple of months for a person to go through the hiring process at the T, likely another factor that turns some people away.

According to the Taxpayers Foundation, when compared to average numbers over the past four fiscal years, the T currently has 320 fewer full- and part-time bus operators; 120 fewer bus operators in training; 125 fewer streetcar and rapid transit motor persons; and 90 fewer streetcar and rapid transit motor persons in training.

Among the objectives listed in the MBTA's three-year safety plan released Monday, the agency aims to build a "staff for a resilient, efficient, and effective workforce" by January next year. The plan did not provide a specific number of employees the T aims to hire.

The plan aims to reduce the amount of track that is under speed restrictions, but not until June, and the MBTA Operations Control Center isn't expected to be fully staffed until July of 2024, likely affecting subway service.

In January, the Globe reported that a year-long hiring campaign for bus drivers failed to draw the hoped-for response, a worker shortage that is disproportionately affecting Black and Hispanic riders.

Governor Maura Healey has asked for $20 million in her supplemental budget request to bolster the MBTA's hiring efforts, the agency said. Recruitment efforts have had some success, with 676 people hired during the first half of this fiscal year, compared to 344 new employees during the first half of the previous year.

"Employee retirement is cyclical and is incorporated into the MBTA's ongoing workforce planning and retention efforts," agency officials said.

Incoming MBTA general manager Phillip Eng is assuming leadership of a system that has been hobbled by serious safety concerns and internal management failures, which have hampered effective responses to myriad issues, the study found.

The agency needs $12 billion "to upgrade and modernize its existing infrastructure within the next decade," the foundation said. Even more money is needed to improve "climate resiliency" and pay for the Green Line extension and pending expansion of commuter rail to the South Coast.

"Yet even though the T's ability to operate services and upgrade its infrastructure could be crippled by its financial plight, lawmakers have yet to identify a dedicated and reliable revenue source to address these looming risks," the foundation said.

Many of the issues highlighted in the report, including the concerns over filling job vacancies in critical positions, have been acknowledged by MBTA officials.

An earlier foundation report also called for the MBTA to abandon its historic practice of providing "drip feeds" of information to passengers in favor of a more forthright public information approach.

"For good reason, the riding public has become increasingly distrustful," the study found. "It is crucial that the T be candid and fully transparent in communicating and explaining the reasons and plans for such events and their impacts on services. Without rebuilding public trust, the MBTA cannot rebuild itself."

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Enshrine Affordable Care Act protections into state law

In the latest chapter in the legal war against Obamacare, a ruling Thursday by a Texas judge imperils the availability of certain HIV drugs, cancer screenings, and other preventive care without insurance copays that have been provided under the landmark law.

While the ruling is likely to be appealed and could be overturned, Massachusetts needn't rely on the judiciary to protect its residents' health. The state can protect free access to this care for many Bay Staters by codifying the federal protections in question into state law.

The case, Braidwood Management v. Xavier Becerra, is one of many legal challenges that have been filed against the Affordable Care Act. It does not threaten to overturn the entire health care law, but it does seek to strike down one of its most popular provisions — no copay coverage of preventive care, regardless of what insurance plan one is on.

The case was brought by six individuals and two businesses that objected, for religious and personal reasons, to having to provide or purchase insurance coverage that includes free access to certain types of preventive care, including contraceptives and PrEP drugs. PrEP is a pill taken daily, often by sexually active gay men, that prevents the transmission of HIV. The legal challenge was based on both a religious freedom argument and procedural grounds related to how the federal government decides what services are considered preventive.

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A bottle of the pre-exposure prophylaxis, or PrEP, drug Truvada, an HIV-prevention drug.

While the case could have affected all preventive services covered under the ACA, the ruling by US District Court Judge Reed O'Connor in the Northern District of Texas is narrower. It eliminates the no-copay mandate for PrEP, based on the religious freedom argument. It also, on procedural grounds, eliminates no-copay mandates for a group of preventive care services recommended by the US Preventive Services Task Force after 2010. This includes a range of services such as cancer screenings, including for lung and skin cancers, and medications, like the use of statins to prevent heart disease or certain risk-reducing drugs given to women at high risk for breast cancer. The ruling does not affect free access to vaccines or contraceptives.

Legally, O'Connor's ruling is binding nationwide immediately. Practically, insurance companies cannot eliminate benefits midyear. And the US Department of Justice will almost certainly appeal and seek a stay of the ruling, which, if granted, would keep current laws in effect while litigation continues.

O'Connor is a George W. Bush appointee with a history of conservative rulings. The final say on the issue is expected to come either from the Fifth Circuit Court of Appeals or, most likely, from the US Supreme Court sometime in 2024.

But Massachusetts does not have to be at the whim of the courts. About 15 states have passed legislation enshrining benefits identical to what is in the Affordable Care Act into state law. Massachusetts has not, although bills introduced by the Democratic chairs of the Health Care Financing Committee, Senator Cindy Friedman and Representative John Lawn, would do so.

"I think it's really important that we do this now, we don't wait until the Supreme Court rules on this," Friedman said.

A Massachusetts law would ensure access to these services without copays continues for anyone who is on MassHealth or has commercial insurance regulated by the state. It would not apply to employees of companies, generally larger companies, that are self-insured and governed by federal law. As of 2019, about 60 percent of Massachusetts residents with private insurance were enrolled in self-insured plans. A Massachusetts mandate could indirectly help those individuals, since insurers often seek to design similar products for different companies, and self-insured companies may want to offer similar benefits as their competitors.

Lora Pellegrini, president of the Massachusetts Association of Health Plans, said member plans "strongly support coverage of preventive services that were implemented as part of the Affordable Care Act" and would support codifying the cost-sharing protections into state law.

Eliminating no-copay access has a human toll. Bennett Klein, senior director of litigation and HIV law for the Boston-based GLBTQ Legal Advocates and Defenders, cited modeling done by A. David Paltiel, a researcher at Yale School of Public Health, estimating that the number of new HIV cases over the next year among gay men nationally will rise from about 12,000 to about 14,000 if the Braidwood decision is upheld. While there is no way to know how much insurers would charge in copays, since copays vary widely based on the insurance plan, the Kaiser Health Network reported last year that the cost of PrEP can be up to $60 a month for a generic drug and $2,000 a month for a brand name drug, plus associated lab tests and doctors' visits.

Ashley Blackburn, director of private insurance and prescription drug reform for the Boston-based consumer advocacy group Health Care for All, said the decision could also create confusion if some employers offer insurance that covers preventive services without copays and others do not. "Even a modest amount of cost-sharing creates real barriers to care, especially for low-income people and communities of color," Blackburn said.

As Blackburn said, there is no harm in having the protections codified in state law — even if, in the best-case scenario, the Affordable Care Act is fully upheld and those protections never need to be used.

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While Marty Walsh said he personally supports the LGBTQ community, "At the end of the day, it's up to the individual about what they want to do. If a player doesn't want to wear a jersey in warm-up, they shouldn't be forced to," he said.

JOAN VENNOCHI

Marty Walsh skates away from his values supporting the LGBTQ community

What a difference a new job, with a reported $3 million salary, can make.

Twenty years ago, as a state lawmaker from Dorchester, Marty Walsh backed gay marriage when it was not always easy to do so. As mayor of Boston, he refused to march in the city's St. Patrick's Day parade as long as gay and lesbian groups were excluded. In 2016, he raised a flag supporting the transgender community at Boston City Hall, saying he would not take it down until everyone in Massachusetts was equal under the law.

But now, in his new role as executive director of the NHL Players' Association, Walsh is siding with a few players who don't want to wear Pride-themed jerseys during warm-up sessions on game night. While he said he personally supports the LGBTQ community, "At the end of the day, it's up to the individual about what they want to do. If a player doesn't want to wear a jersey in warm-up, they shouldn't be forced to. I think that's something that's important," Walsh said at his first press conference in his new position.

He can't make a hockey player wear a certain jersey, but he could he make a stronger case for it. Instead, it looks like he's skating away from where he was when he left Boston City Hall, first to become US labor secretary, then to represent professional hockey players. In a face-off between the cause of civil rights — as defined by the progressive Democrats he once courted — and individual rights — as defined by a handful of NHL players — Walsh picked the side that's paying him a lot of money. He also picked the side embraced by sports fans who don't want their fun interrupted by social causes. But what a whiffed shot — for Walsh and for hockey.

As reported by the Associated Press, the Stanley Cup first appeared at a Pride parade in 2010, when then-Blackhawks defenseman Brent Sopel brought it to the celebration in Chicago. In 2013, the league partnered with the You Can Play Project, which promotes LGBTQ participation in sports. Meanwhile, NHL "Pride Nights" have been held for several years. (The Boston Bruins call its "Hockey Is For Everyone" night.) This year, however, a few players have objected to participating in pregame warm-ups that include Pride-themed jerseys. Some players cite religious beliefs, and concern has also been expressed on behalf of Russian players whose safety is supposedly at risk because of Russia's anti-gay law.

NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman has defended teams that have pulled out of Pride Night, saying, "Whether or not you choose to embrace a statement on behalf of a cause affirmatively, if you choose not to do that, it doesn't necessarily make you a bigot." True, but stepping up for the cause makes you a champion, which is what Walsh has been.

Throughout his political career, Walsh worked hard to avoid being typecast as just another socially conservative Irish Catholic pol from Dorchester. During his tenure as mayor, he leaned even further into a politically progressive identity. When he boycotted the St. Patrick's Day parade in 2014 over the exclusion of gay and lesbian participants, Walsh said, "As mayor of the city of Boston, I have to do my best to ensure that all Bostonians are free to participate in the civic life of our city."

He kept the pressure on, saying in 2017, "I will not tolerate discrimination in any form. We are one Boston, which means we are a fully inclusive city. I will not be marching in the parade unless this is resolved. Anyone who values what our city stands for should do the same." That year, the decision was reversed and a gay veterans group joined the parade. In 2016, when Walsh flew a transgender flag over Boston City Hall Plaza, he said, "We've proven there's nothing to fear from being inclusive. Quite the opposite. We are safer, we are stronger when everyone enjoys the same protections."

Now he's saying, "You have to support someone's individual right if they don't feel comfortable or don't want to wear it, whatever. ... But at the end of the day, we have to be open to people and make sure they feel comfortable coming to an arena or being hockey players — or anybody, for that matter."

Of course, being mayor is different from representing the hockey players union. Choosing not to march in a parade as an elected official is different from telling professional athletes they all must share in a certain belief and wear a jersey to prove it. But if Walsh truly believes in the values he promoted in Boston, he should bring them to hockey — with a slap shot that scores a goal.

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‘At my wit’s end’: Parents say BPS is letting Henderson school wither from neglect

With its specially trained staff and nurturing environment for students with Down syndrome, cerebral palsy, and other disabilities, the Henderson K-12 Inclusion School in Dorchester has been beloved for decades by families for its special instruction philosophy, where students with disabilities learn together with peers without disabilities.

But according to a number of Henderson parents, the coveted, high-quality environment so many cherish is at risk — a problem they blame on an inattentive central office and a leadership vacuum that’s let understaffing and safety concerns at the school fester, while assigning families to the school who weren’t invested in its mission.

“For many years the Henderson was *the* model for inclusion across the country. It was so successful [that] they had visitors from all over the world wanting to see … how to replicate it,” Bethany Moffi, a Henderson parent and a member of the school’s governing board, said during the public comment period at the Boston School Committee meeting on March 15.

Lately, though, there’s been “an exodus of families, teachers, and providers who are deeply committed to the mission of inclusion,” said Moffi — one of five parents who raised alarms about the school at the meeting. “People who have been there for years that left because of the neglect and lack of oversight by the district to identify and invest in strong leadership committed to our model of inclusion and to curb the violence at our school.”

The Henderson is an innovation school, which means that it is granted certain decision-making independence from the Boston Public Schools, such as curriculum and staffing. And one of the pillars of its inclusion model is that there is one general education teacher *and* one special education teacher per core classroom.

But another parent, Michelle Carmell, told School Committee members that evening that she removed her fifth-grader in September because she was in a classroom with an unlicensed teacher — “entirely unlicensed, not even emergency licensed,” she said. Carmell said there are “three classrooms with only emergency special education licensure and three classrooms with no specialized licensure at all” in fifth grade and below. According to Carmell, who is also on the school’s governing board, 20 percent of teachers in fifth grade and below are operating on emergency licenses.

This isn’t the first time the Henderson school’s community has spoken up about its concerns. Last summer, a Dorchester Reporter news article described parents’ worries about the school “slipping into chaos.” In my own interviews with current and former Henderson parents and special education advocates it’s clear the situation hasn’t improved. “Any communication we have I am labeled as the angry parent,” Courtney Feeley Karp said at the School Committee meeting. “I’m at my wit’s end, as is everyone else.”

What happened? Without question, an inflection point occurred in the fall of 2021 when Patricia Lampron, the beloved principal of the Henderson’s upper campus, was viciously attacked by a 16-year-old student. Since then, multiple safety episodes have taken place: a blind student allegedly assaulted in a bathroom; an incident in which two teachers got hurt while trying to break up a fight between two middle schoolers; a fight between two students, where one of them reportedly used a Taser gun; and, just two weeks ago, three students ended up at the hospital after ingesting marijuana edibles.

> It’s a sad turn of events for the school named after Bill Henderson, a pioneer educator who went blind during his time at BPS.

Laurette LeRouge — who was 16 at the time of the alleged attack — was charged last year for the assault on Lampron.

Tom McKeever is the president of SEIU Local 888, whose members include more than 300 Boston school administration and support staff, like school secretaries. He told me that the Henderson consistently comes up in complaints from the union’s members. “One of our members has been out on workers’ compensation” leave for safety issues at the school, he said.

Of course, the Henderson is not the only school with student safety issues. But parents fear the school’s current leadership isn’t able to cope.

Max Baker, a BPS spokesperson, said the district has “heard the concerns of our families and there is a team actively working to provide extra support to our young people.” The district is “conducting a needs assessment of the Henderson” with a particular focus on professional development support for newer educators, Baker said. He admitted there are some staffing challenges at the Henderson and said an additional school administrator with inclusion experience has been assigned to the school in the past month.

It’s a sad turn of events for the school named after Bill Henderson, a pioneer educator who went blind during his time at BPS. In 1989, he became the principal of the school that would eventually be named after him; the rename happened in 2009 upon his retirement (Lampron succeeded him). Originally an elementary school, it became a K-12 innovation school in 2014. Currently, there are about 860 students enrolled across both of the Henderson’s two Dorchester campuses.

Henderson figured out early on that for an inclusion setting to truly function for everybody, students with disabilities have to feel welcome by everyone in the building. It’s not entirely about money, either. “If the heart isn’t there, the skills and even the resources don’t matter,” Henderson told Schoolyard News in 2019.

Dianne Lescinskas’s daughter, now 26, has intellectual disabilities and started at the Henderson back when it was a K-5. Lescinskas was one of the parents who fought for the school to be expanded to a K-12, so parents like her “have a choice.” Walking into the Henderson for the first time, she remembered, “we felt like this is where we belong. It’s hard to describe. … It was more of a feeling: kindness and acceptance from everyone in the building.”

If it hadn’t been for the Henderson, her daughter would have been in a substantially separate classroom, Lescinskas said. “Learning alongside general education students, she would push herself to do more, she’d be inspired by her nondisabled peers, who became coaches and mentors for her.” Lescinskas’s daughter works three jobs now, including in a flower shop and a hair salon.

Multiple studies have shown that an inclusion model is advantageous to *all* students, not just those with special needs. But there must be full buy-in from families — including those with students who have no disabilities — for an inclusion model like the Henderson’s to succeed. Parents argue that the Henderson’s model is showing cracks now partly because the district is placing students there who didn’t choose the Henderson.

According to figures provided by Baker, there is some truth to that. Since school year 2019-20, there have been more than 40 students administratively assigned to the Henderson’s upper grades. Those are students who didn’t get their preferred school when enrolling at BPS. That figure doesn’t include students who come in midschool year. As for the Henderson’s 113 educators, 26 hold at least one emergency license, Baker said.

If BPS is serious about inclusion, the district better listen to Henderson parents who worry that without a change of course, the model that has served so many students well over the decades could disappear for good.

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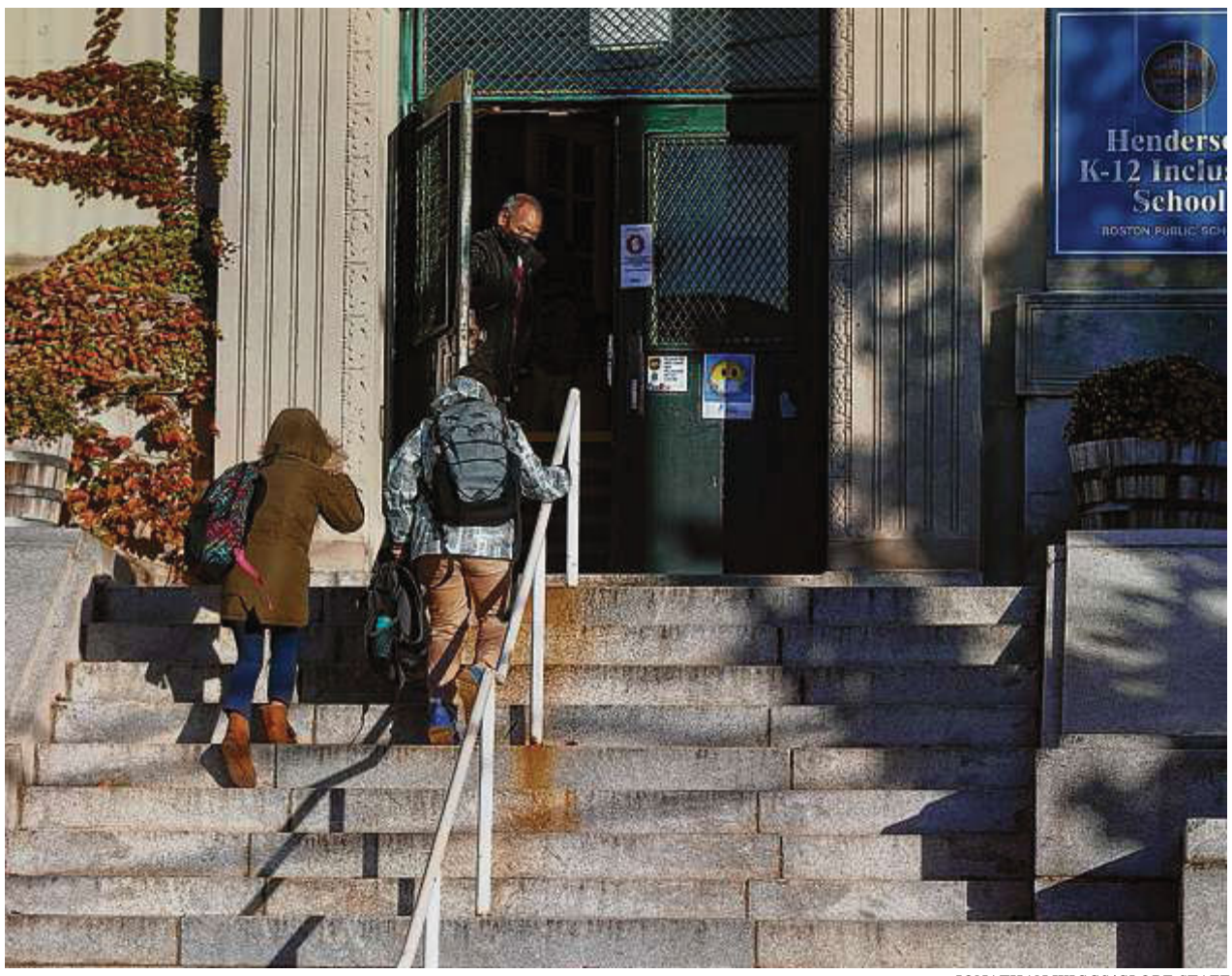

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According to a number of Henderson School parents, the coveted, high-quality environment so many cherish is at risk.

INBOX

Seemingly untouchable, Trump finds himself in justice system’s grip

Grand jury’s indictment is a sign that our democracy is alive and kicking

Donald Trump has spent a lifetime committing offenses and four years in the eye of the storm disregarding the Constitution, Congress, and any constraints that morality or the faintest shred of human decency would dictate. He had dalliances with dictators and wannabe dictators and treated the nation as his personal chew toy and anyone who dared cross his imaginary line with a level of disrespect and distrust that bordered on psychotic. He has been out of control, and seemingly untouchable, from first to last.

> It felt good knowing that something has finally stuck.

There was a rush of adrenaline when the word “indicted” attached to him last week. Forget, for the moment, that, in the hierarchy of Trump’s evils, this case is akin to jaywalking. Or that the prosecution of this matter will be a heavy lift. It just felt good knowing that something has finally stuck to Teflon Don.

Larger questions about the state of our democracy swirl around the conversation. But for a man willing to sacrifice everything this nation has tried to achieve in almost 250 years merely to satiate his unquenchable, unfathomable ego, this indictment was a declaration that our democracy is still alive and kicking. Damaged but not destroyed by the rule of terror. A declaration of independence from evil.

What tomorrow brings for Trump and for our country is far from certain. This was but one small step against this man. But one large step for humankind.

ROBERT S. NUSSBAUM
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Trump could flout the law for only so long

Like many Americans, I had serious doubts that former president Donald Trump would ever be prosecuted for his myriad crimes against our country and its Constitution. His historical penchant for flouting the law made it seem as if it just didn’t apply to him. That’s why the country needed a brave Manhattan district attorney to steer the case and the New York grand jury to be the first to indict a former president to prove that no one is above the law, including the rich and powerful.

The subsequent cries by Trump’s supporters that his adversaries are weaponizing the judicial system against him ring hollow. It is Trump who weaponized the justice system and other government agencies to target his political enemies while he was in office, and he’s made it clear that he would do so again if reelected.

In the interests of our country’s future, and to help deter others from acting like the former president, here’s hoping that the New York indictment is just the first of many. We Americans deserve better than to have autocratic leaders who care only about themselves and have little regard for our fellow citizens.

CARL MARKEY
North Chelmsford

A study in contrasts: Mel King and Donald Trump

The Saturday Opinion section was a striking study in contrasts. On the right was a photo of the late Mel King and letters lauding the leader and political hero whose dignity, courage, and moral vision have had a profound impact on Boston communities (“Voices from the many threads Mel King wove into Boston’s fabric”). King has been an inspiration as he worked on issues of housing, education, and equity.

Most of the rest of the two pages were devoted to an editorial, opinion pieces, and letters about former president Donald Trump, a self-serving, power-hungry politician whose lies, corruption, and violent rhetoric will debase our democracy for decades.

May we learn to recognize, honor, and vote for leaders like King and turn away from those whose idea of community is one man and his cronies and toadies.

SARAH COLETTI
Acton

Medical trainees need long hours — and a more efficient workplace

As a retired physician educator and hospital executive with more than 30 programs housed within my former institution, I understand the stresses and strains inherent in graduate medical education (“Rethink the 80-hour workweek for medical trainees,” Editorial, March 26). However, distilling the issues for trainees down to a workweek that is too long misses the complexities of the issue.

It is hard to learn to be a good doctor from books, journals, or lectures. Experience is the key. When you see a disease evolving in a patient, it makes an impression that lasts and is reawakened the next time you see that combination of signs, symptoms, and findings. The more experience — that is, the more patients you care for — the better skilled you will be in diagnosing and treating future patients.

Participating in the care of many patients during training is important but has to be balanced against the realities of long hours resulting in fatigue and burnout. Unfortunately, frequently those long hours are due to tasks that don’t add to a trainee’s growth and development as a doctor. The current staffing shortage in hospitals aggravates this circumstance. Getting to the hospital at 5 a.m. to collect all the overnight patient lab results for morning rounds at 7 a.m. doesn’t make you a better doctor, just a tired one.

What is urgently needed is better work support systems for residents. A significant part of the solution is creating more efficient systems for residents to do their work and filling hospital staffing voids. Granted, this is a tall order, but these changes might be more important than Uber rides home.

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Rubi Lichauco greeted 18-year-old Angus Abercrombie at her front door in Belmont last month. Abercrombie, an Emerson College freshman, is running to be a Town Meeting member in his hometown of Belmont.

HE'S 18 AND HE'S ON THE BALLOT IN BELMONT

By Sonel Cutler
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

BELMONT — The first time Angus Abercrombie volunteered on a campaign was in the fifth grade. He began speaking at public meetings in middle school. As he puts it, "I don't think I've ever really not been involved in politics."

Now, 18-year-old Abercrombie, tired of standing on the sidelines, is aiming for something bigger.

Currently a freshman at Emerson College, Abercrombie is running for Town Meeting member in Tuesday's election in Belmont, a suburban community of 27,000. He knows he's young, but he has ideas for how to grow his town's tax base, fix its bumpy roads, staff the schools better, and fight climate change locally. And he thinks the best place to effect those changes is local government.

"Young people feel like the world is collapsing around them, but they can't do anything about it," Abercrombie said. "And local government is really the story of why that's not true."

In Belmont's local system of government, a body of 300 elected community members — 36 from each of the town's eight precincts and 12 at-large representatives — convene each spring to discuss and vote on the town's budget and bylaws.

Town Meeting representatives serve three-year terms, and each year, 12 seats from each precinct are up for election. In Precinct 8, Abercrombie is among 15 people running for those 12 spots.

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>
> ANGUS ABERCROMBIE, *who is running to be a Belmont Town Meeting member*

"It's hard to live in a place for a long time without thinking of some things that you'd like to see improve and things that you've noticed getting worse that you'd like to stop from getting worse," Abercrombie said.

To balance his campaign with academics, Abercrombie is taking three-quarters of a usual course load at Emerson College this semester. He goes home during school breaks, most weekends, and some days after class to knock on doors.

Since he is self-funding his campaign, Abercrombie saves money on fliers by printing two on each sheet of paper and going door-to-door to deliver them and get his name out to voters.

One warm afternoon in the weeks before the April 4 election, Abercrombie strolled up the driveway of a house on Chilton Street in Belmont, armed with a clipboard, a list of addresses, and campaign fliers, and knocked on the door. No one answered.

"There's going to be a lot of that," he said as he stuffed one of his fliers behind the screen door.

Abercrombie wants to knock on just about every door to speak with voters in his precinct, in the northeastern part of the town. He says it's "the best way to provide someone with a space to care about town issues."

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'Part of the effort around safety is really allocating space in a way that makes people feel comfortable with alternatives to driving a car.'

JASCHA FRANKLIN-HODGE, *Boston's chief of streets*

Safety steps offered to reduce pedestrian fatalities

By Sonel Cutler
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Massachusetts pedestrian deaths jumped 35 percent last year, a recent study by advocacy group WalkBoston found, increasing from 75 to 101 fatalities between 2021 and 2022.

A majority of the pedestrians were killed in impoverished neighborhoods in some of the state's largest cities, after dark, with senior citizens hit and killed at the highest rate, according to the report.

Of the state's 351 cities and towns, 60 of them experienced fatal pedestrian crashes in 2022, compared with 47 in 2021, the report showed.

Boston surpassed all other cities in the state with 12 pedestrian deaths last year. Worcester had the second most pedestrian deaths with seven. Chicopee had the third most with five, the report showed.

The increase, which WalkBoston's deputy director Brendan Kearney called "extremely troubling," sparked calls from experts and advocates for state and local efforts to improve pedestrian safety. But what could actually help to reduce fatal pedestrian crashes in the Commonwealth? Here are five possible solutions, according to experts.

De-incentivize SUVs and other heavy vehicles

Experts say SUVs and large cars pose a more deadly threat to pedestrians due to their size and weight, causing more extensive damage in crashes. SUV ownership is increasing rapidly in the

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Massachusetts pedestrian deaths jumped 35 percent last year, and of the state's 351 cities and towns, 60 of them experienced fatal pedestrian crashes in 2022.

Students recall fear of hoax police call

Harvard ordeal leaves four 'terrified'

By John Hilliard
GLOBE STAFF

A group of Harvard University students said they were ordered from their dorm suite at gunpoint by campus police officers early Monday after the department received a false emergency call.

In separate interviews Monday, four students described the fear of being roused from their sleep by the sounds of heavily armed officers — several wearing helmets and armed with long guns — banging on doors, and being forced from their university residence on DeWolfe Street around 4 a.m.

Officers searched their rooms, and the students said they were later told by police the department had received a call falsely claiming that two women inside the dorm suite were going to be killed. But the ordeal has left them shaken.

"We were all terrified — they had guns pointed at us," said student Jarah Cotton. "Everybody was extremely frazzled. No one's been asleep since."

Jazmin Dunlap said at one point, three university police officers had their weapons aimed at her just moments after she woke up.

"I personally did not know that the Harvard University Police Department could actually enter our rooms with that much force," Dunlap said.

The reported hoax call aimed at the Harvard students comes amid a troubling surge of false emergency calls to police reporting active shooters and threats of violence at schools in Massachusetts and across the country.

So-called "swatting" calls — nicknamed for heavily armed teams of police officers — often trigger massive responses from law enforcement agencies, and can also sow feelings of fear and anxiety among people caught in the middle.

The university police department received a call about a potential threat at

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City Council could ban mini bottles of alcohol

By Danny McDonald
GLOBE STAFF

They're tiny, cheap, and littered across Boston streets and parks. Now, the City Council is discussing a potential ban of the sale of miniature bottles of alcohol — often called "nips" — in the city, following similar actions in nearby communities such as Newton and Chelsea.

Councilor Ricardo Arroyo, who sponsored the proposal and Monday's hearing on the ban, said that the sale of alcohol bottles of 100 milliliters or less "can have detrimental impacts on the health and well-being of Boston residents and neighborhoods."

Arroyo's proposal asserts that such a move could reduce public intoxication and alcohol-related ambulance responses. On Monday, the councilor from Hyde Park framed the small plastic bottles as posing both littering and public health problems.

"I think there's a real public nuisance," he said.

Specifically, he points to Chelsea, a small, working-class city just north of Boston, where EMTs with Cataldo Ambulance Service responded to 742 alcohol-related calls in 2017. That number dipped to 556 in 2018 when the ban was in place for about half of the year, according to Arroyo's order.

Other US cities have banned the sale of the miniature bottles, including Chicago and Albuquerque, as well as other Massachusetts communities including Falmouth, Mashpee, and Wareham. Banning the mini bottles could help address "health-related inequities caused by alcohol abuse," while also "freeing up public health resources for non-alcohol related hospitalizations," Arroyo said in

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Cape Verdean president connects with Brockton High

By Adria Watson
GLOBE STAFF

Cape Verdean President José Maria Neves on Monday afternoon put a challenge before Brockton High School students: Be an excellent student, become educated, and be a "good American citizen."

Learning, he said, is a way the students can build a better future, including for the small country off the coast of Africa.

"Much more is required of us to be able to live in this complex world, and schools are the best spaces for us to learn to live in this world," Neves said in Cape Verdean Creole through a translator to the hundreds of students gathered for the school assembly. "We need to be more intelligent, so we may understand the complexities of the context that we live in, so that we may have the answers to the challenges of the moment."

Neves, who arrived in the US Thursday, is visiting New England to strengthen his country's ties with Cape Verdean Americans. Earlier Monday morning, he met with Governor Maura Healey and Lieutenant Governor Kim Driscoll.

At the school, Brockton Mayor Robert Sullivan declared April 3 as Cape Verdean Presidents Day.

"Today's a historic day that we're going to be telling for many generations to come," Sullivan said. "President Neves has always loved the city of Brockton. He came to the city of Brockton as Prime Minister [and] he has come here many times since being president of Cabo Verde."

DAVID L RYAN/GLOBE STAFF

Junior ROTC Brockton High School students laughed with Cape Verdean President José Maria Neves (center) on Monday during his visit to New England to strengthen his country's ties with Cape Verdean Americans.

Neves, who became president in 2021, said during his speech that Brockton High students are privileged to attend a school where they are learning alongside other youth from different parts of the world. Such an environment is a great opportunity to grow as global citizens, he said.

"It's great for you to be in a country that you can learn to live as if you are in the whole world," he said.

Brockton is home to one of the largest Cape Verdean populations in the US. At Brockton High School, where 3,679 students are enrolled, 22 percent were born in Cape Verde, and Cape Verdean Creole is the first language for about 1,000 students.

"I myself am Cape Verdean so it was a really good thing to see someone outside of Brockton come in here specifically to see our school and be recognized," said Milani Depina, Brockton High class president. "We can help people in Cape Verde by just being here and representing who we are."

Brockton High senior Claudia Pierre said it was great to see Neves travel to Brockton to not only acknowledge the Cape Verdean community, but also to share a message everyone can connect with.

"I feel like everybody can grasp what he's trying to inspire towards all of us," said Pierre, who is Haitian American. "It doesn't have to just be one culture taking from what he has to say."

Teacher Ann-Marie Butler said she wanted Cape Verdean students to feel connected to their heritage during Neves's visit.

"I hope they're inspired by the president," Butler said. "I hope that they get that chance to see leadership, to see what it means, to listen to his experiences, and what words of wisdom and advice he can offer our kids here in Brockton."

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Sununu's proposal to increase border patrol comes under fire

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CONCORD, N.H. – Governor Chris Sununu has proposed spending $1.4 million to address an increase in illegal border crossings from Canada, even though it is unclear how many of those crossings have occurred along New Hampshire's northern border.

The ACLU has criticized the governor's proposal to spend state money to have local, county, and state police patrol the border without data proving border activity has increased in New Hampshire. The civil rights group and advocates for immigrant rights say the policy would undermine community safety by discouraging immigrants from contacting the police if they witness a crime or are the victim of a crime.

"We have very serious concerns with this approach," said Frank Knaack, policy director for ACLU NH. "They've been unable to provide any actual evidence to back up the rhetoric which is pushing these very harmful policies."

When ACLU NH filed a Right to Know request for data proving that New Hampshire's border has been busier than usual, the governor's office replied that it had no responsive records. The Department of Safety had no records to share either.

A spokesperson for the governor told the Globe the claim is based on data published by Customs and Border Patrol on Feb. 13, reporting "an approximate 846% increase in encounters and apprehensions compared to the same period of FY22."

But that data includes 295 miles of border called the Swanson Sector, stretching from New Hampshire to New York — and just 58 miles of it is in New Hampshire. Knaack also noted that data isn't limited to people apprehended while crossing the border, and could include people who live in the region and are stopped far beyond the border.

Sununu called the situation at the border "a humanitarian crisis" and said the state must address it. "To take no action to stop these illegal crossings is to perpetuate a humanitarian crisis," he said in a written statement. "Whether it's to prevent human trafficking or the flow of illegal drugs, protecting America's borders and enforcing the laws of our nation should and must be the priority of the Biden Administration and the Department of Homeland Security."

He wrote to the Secretary of Homeland Security Alejandro Mayorkas on March 13 to see if New Hampshire law enforcement officers can be more involved in securing the northern border. Sununu said he wanted New Hampshire law enforcement officers be trained to work alongside federal border agents through a Section 287 agreement.

New Hampshire Department of Safety Commissioner Robert Quinn made the same request while testifying before Congress earlier this week.

"To be clear, although New Hampshire has seen an increase in crossings, we have not yet seen the large increase that Vermont is presently experiencing," he said in his testimony. Quinn also appeared on Fox News on March 27 and told viewers the state had seen a "slight increase" in illegal crossings.

"It's unclear to us how they're coming to those conclusions and providing that statement to Congress when they don't have any responsive documents to requests on that specific issue," said Knaack. "They're manufacturing these crises without actually having any data to support the rhetoric."

A spokesperson for the Department of Safety said the information came from a supervisor of the United States Border Patrol in the Swanton Sector. It was provided to the New Hampshire Information and Analysis Center and indicated a slight increase in the number of illegal crossings into the United States from Canada along New Hampshire's border, the spokesperson said.

Having state and local police patrol New Hampshire's northern border could negatively impact businesses and tourism in the state, warned Sebastian Fuentes, who works at the nonprofit Rights and Democracy and advocates for immigrant rights.

Fuentes, who came to New Hampshire from Lima, Peru, when he was 19 and worked at the Mount Washington Resort, now lives in Thornton. He said that giving local and state police the same power as border patrol agents could intimidate international visitors, and could deter those who cross the border for work.

"There's no crisis at the border," he said. "It's scary to think that northern New Hampshire — a really nice, welcoming, beautiful landscape — is going to be treated like the southern border in Texas or New Mexico."

He said the $1.4 million the governor has proposed spending on border security would be better spent on child care or education.

But others in the North Country view the governor's program favorably. "We're the size of San Antonio or Austin, Texas, and do not have the resources to govern the area properly," said Douglas Ahlstrin, a selectman in Pittsburg, near the state's border with Canada. "Anything that can help with law enforcement up here is greatly appreciated."

Crime rates in Pittsburg are low, according to data from the state Department of Safety, requested by ACLU NH. There were 13 total offenses in Pittsburg in 2021 and seven in 2020.

The New Hampshire House will vote on the governor's $1.4 million border proposal, which is part of the state budget, when it is in session next week.

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Alcohol banned at Wellfleet beach this summer

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Last call has come for a popular Outer Cape beach.

Drinking alcohol at Cahoon Hollow Beach in Wellfleet will be banned from late May through early September to curb rowdy behavior, officials said.

The town of Wellfleet and the Cape Cod National Seashore, which owns and operates the beach, said the prohibition on drinking or possessing alcohol will be in effect from May 20 through Sept. 10.

Over the past six years, crowds at the beach have grown, leading to an increase in excessive drinking, assaults, and people passing out in the parking lot, officials said in a statement.

"Before these identified problems become tragedies, we have developed a phased approach to address the situation beginning this summer," officials said. "The risk to our visitors, lifeguards and police officers is too great and must be minimized with thoughtful action."

The Provincetown Independent first reported on the drinking ban, which includes hefty fines for violators, according to national seashore Chief Ranger Michael B. Valora. Maximum penalties "could be a fine of up to $5,000 and/or imprisonment of up to six months, which could be imposed by a U.S. Magistrate judge," he said by e-mail.

Drinking alcohol on town-owned property, including municipal beaches, is prohibited at all times, Wellfleet officials said.

Cahoon Hollow is located steps from the Beachcomber, a bar and seafood restaurant often packed during the summer months. On Friday, the restaurant posted a calming video of the surf gently rolling in.

"Happy Friday, friends!" the restaurant posted above the brief clip. "Enjoy this half minute or so of zen."

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This day in history

Today is Tuesday, April 4, the 94th day of 2023. There are 271 days left in the year.

Birthdays: Recording executive Clive Davis is 91. Author Kitty Kelley is 81. Actor Craig T. Nelson is 79. Country singer Steve Gatlin is 72. Actor Mary-Margaret Humes is 69. Writer-producer David E. Kelley is 67. Actor Lorraine Toussaint is 63. Actor Robert Downey Jr. is 58. Actor Barry Pepper is 53. Magician David Blaine is 50. Singer Kelly Price is 50. Actor-singer Jamie Lynn Spears is 32.

►In 1917, the US Senate voted 82-6 in favor of declaring war against Germany (the House followed suit two days later by a vote of 373-50).

►In 1945, during World War II, US forces liberated the Nazi concentration camp Ohrdruf in Germany. Hungary was liberated as Soviet forces cleared out remaining German troops.

►In 1968, civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr., 39, was shot and killed while standing on a balcony of the Lorraine Motel in Memphis; his slaying was followed by a wave of rioting (Washington, D.C., Baltimore, and Chicago were among cities particularly hard hit). James Earl Ray later pleaded guilty to assassinating King, then spent the rest of his life claiming he'd been the victim of a setup.

►In 1973, the twin towers of New York's World Trade Center were officially dedicated. (The towers were destroyed in the terrorist attack of Sept. 11, 2001.)

►In 1974, Hank Aaron of the Atlanta Braves tied Babe Ruth's home-run record by hitting his 714th round-tripper in Cincinnati.

►In 1975, more than 130 people, most of them children, were killed when a US Air Force transport plane evacuating Vietnamese orphans crash-landed shortly after takeoff from Saigon.

►In 1991, Senator John Heinz, Republican of Penn., and six others, including two children, were killed when a helicopter collided with Heinz's plane over a schoolyard in Merion, Pa.

►In 2015, in North Charleston, S.C., Walter Scott, a 50-year-old Black motorist, was shot to death while running away from a traffic stop; Officer Michael Thomas Slager, seen in a cellphone video opening fire at Scott, was charged with murder. (The charge, which lingered after a first state trial ended in a mistrial, was dropped as part of a deal under which Slager pleaded guilty to a federal civil rights violation; he was sentenced to 20 years in prison.)

►In 2018, saying the situation had reached "a point of crisis," President Trump signed a proclamation directing the deployment of the National Guard to the US-Mexico border to fight illegal immigration.

►Last year, President Biden called for Russian President Vladimir Putin to be tried for war crimes after what he described as "outrageous" atrocities around Kyiv during the invasion of Ukraine. The Senate Judiciary Committee deadlocked, 11-11, on whether to send Ketanji Brown Jackson's Supreme Court nomination to the Senate floor (It would later pass out of committee and she would be confirmed by the Senate three days later.)

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MONDAY MIDDAY 4518
Payoffs *(based on a $1 bet)*

EXACT ORDER

All 4 digits	$4,967
First or last 3	$695
Any 2 digits	$60
Any 1 digit	$6

ANY ORDER

All 4 digits	$207
First 3	$116
Last 3	$116

MONDAY NIGHT 9593
Payoffs *(based on a $1 bet)*

EXACT ORDER

All 4 digits	$6,414
First or last 3	$898
Any 2 digits	$77
Any 1 digit	$8

ANY ORDER

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First 3	$299
Last 3	$150

LUCKY FOR LIFE
April 03 **02-13-21-45-46**
Lucky Ball 16
Jackpot: $1,000 a day for life; winners

MASS CASH
April 03 **12-14-24-31-34**
Jackpot: $100,000; no winners

PREVIOUS DRAWINGS

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Sunday	3599	3462
Saturday	3047	4130
Friday	5836	2166

MONDAY NUMBERS AROUND NEW ENGLAND
Maine, N.H., Vermont
Day: 3-digit **370** 4-digit **6212**
Eve: 3-digit **319** 4-digit **7396**
Rhode Island
Midday: **8660** Evening: **4120**
Connecticut
3-digit **594-5** 4-digit **2519-4**
Powerball
16-30-31-54-68
Powerball **01** Powerplay **2x**
Jackpot: $159 million

He's a college freshman. And he's on the ballot in Belmont.

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"It's a very smart thing to do," said Stuart Chuang, a Belmont resident who spoke with Abercrombie on his front stoop about campaign priorities. "In this neighborhood especially, there are a lot of parents and young kids. He's on the right block."

Linda Levin-Schertz, chair of the Belmont Democratic Town Committee, has known Abercrombie since he started attending meetings as a junior at Belmont High School. She says he is enormously respected by those who have worked with him.

"Right away, I was impressed with his deep knowledge of state politics and national politics, his commitment to progressive causes, and his ability to articulate his concerns and his priorities," Levin-Schertz said. "When he first started coming [to meetings], we all kind of looked at each other and said, 'Whoa, who is this kid?' He's remarkably poised for somebody who's so young."

Abercrombie recognizes some people doubt he has the life experience to weigh in on legislative matters because of his age, but he cites his years of advocacy and campaign experience.

"A lot of people subscribe to the idea that Town Meetings should represent everyone in the town. That's more than just people who have the sort of 'life experience' that people are alluding to when they're questioning my age," Abercrombie said. "If someone supports me, they're going to see age as a positive, and if there's someone who doesn't support me, they're gonna see my age as a negative. It's not about the age. It's about the policy."

Many residents of Abercrombie's precinct agree and see his youthfulness as a positive influence on the town's policy priorities.

"He's very young," said Rubi Lichauco, a Belmont voter whose daughter went to school with Abercrombie. She said most of the other candidates are parents like herself. "I don't doubt that he will bring up issues that are relevant to young people here in Belmont."

Abercrombie sees room for improvement in the existing Town Meeting system and hopes to lower the barrier to entry and encourage other often unheard voices to seek local office. The time commitment can dissuade groups like working families, young people, and people of color from running for Town Meeting representative, which "leads to a Town Meeting which is whiter, older, and richer than the general population," Abercrombie said.

"When we look at the decisions being made in Belmont, we see that almost always, renters are underrepresented, young people are underrepresented, people of color are underrepresented," he said. "It's a system that reinforces systemic biases in a very meaningful and potentially damaging way."

Though he has bigger political ambitions, Abercrombie said he holds a staunch belief that local government serves a crucial role as ground zero for political engagement and effecting change in a community.

"Every time you drive out of your driveway onto very uneven and bumpy roads, or if you're walking through Town Center and you have to go by three or four vacant storefronts before you get anywhere, that's all local problems," he said. "Local government has, hopefully, solutions, and that's what I'm interested in."

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Angus Abercrombie greeted Deb Sweeney while she was walking her dogs last month and he was knocking on doors in Belmont. Angus, who is 18 and a freshman at Emerson College, is running for Town Meeting member in his hometown of Belmont.

Five ways to reduce pedestrian deaths in Massachusetts

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United States and the vehicles are unquestionably unsafe for pedestrians, said Peter Furth, a professor of civil and environmental engineering at Northeastern University. SUVs "hit you so much higher, and that's damaging to your body," Furth said.

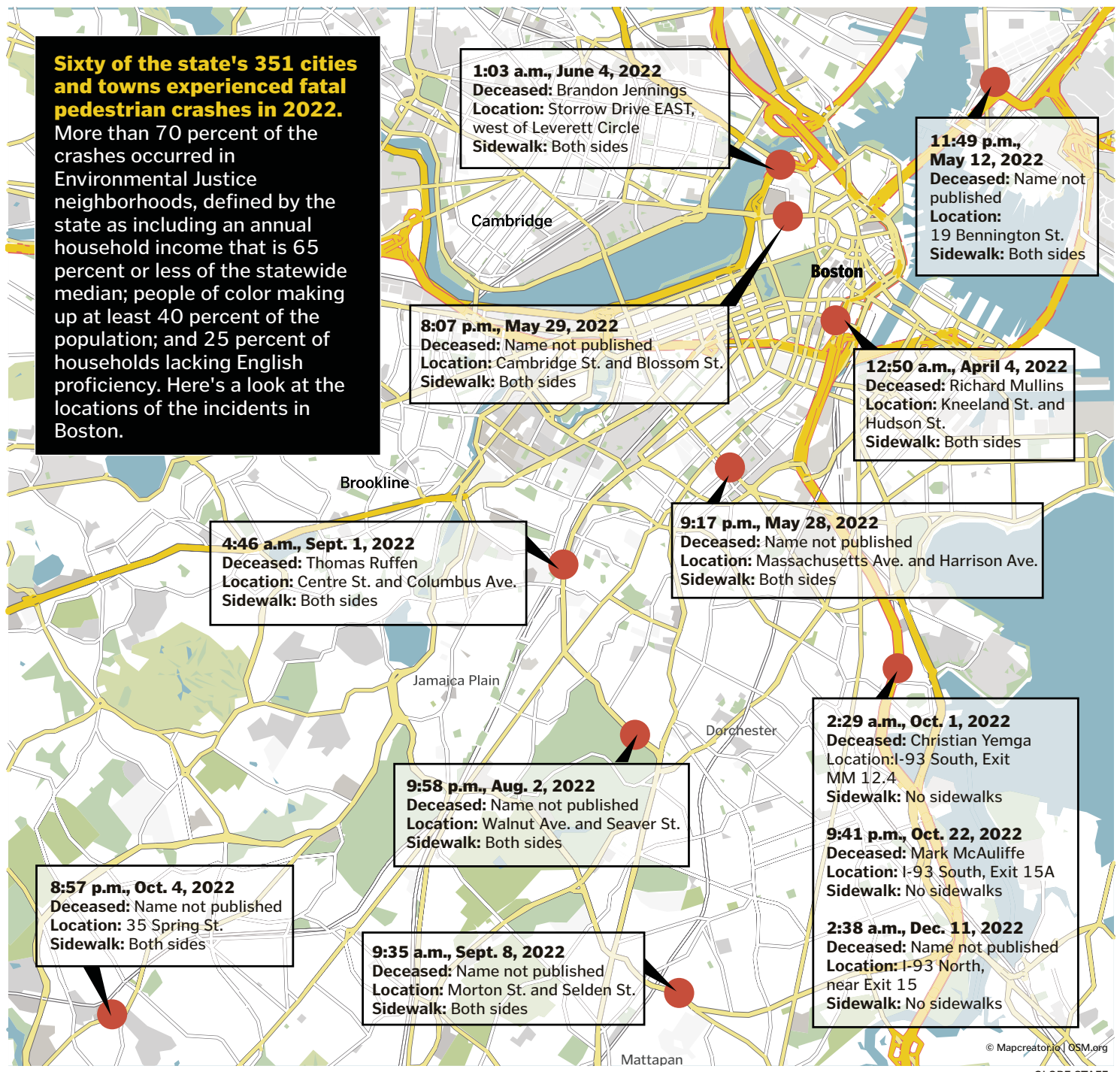
"It throws you down to the ground with way more force," he said. "SUVs are killers."

Furth added that SUVs have blind spots that make them more likely to hit pedestrians when turning corners and, though lauded for their safety for occupants, are much more unsafe for people outside of the car.

To stem their popularity and lower fatal pedestrian crashes, Jim Aloisi, a lecturer of transportation policy and planning at Massachusetts Institute of Technology, says legislators can de-incentivize SUV ownership.

"We need to think about how to charge people for the social cost of the heavy weights and the size of vehicles," Aloisi said, adding that both state and federal policies should discourage SUV use. "It's not necessary, and it's hurting people."

Aloisi suggested the state add a proportional size and weight charge to vehicles at the time of an annual inspection and dedicate the revenue to municipalities for street design investments.


Sixty of the state's 351 cities and towns experienced fatal pedestrian crashes in 2022.
More than 70 percent of the crashes occurred in Environmental Justice neighborhoods, defined by the state as including an annual household income that is 65 percent or less of the statewide median; people of color making up at least 40 percent of the population; and 25 percent of households lacking English proficiency. Here's a look at the locations of the incidents in Boston.
1:03 a.m., June 4, 2022
Deceased: Brandon Jennings
Location: Storrow Drive EAST, west of Leverett Circle
Sidewalk: Both sides
11:49 p.m., May 12, 2022
Deceased: Name not published
Location: 19 Bennington St.
Sidewalk: Both sides
8:07 p.m., May 29, 2022
Deceased: Name not published
Location: Cambridge St. and Blossom St.
Sidewalk: Both sides
12:50 a.m., April 4, 2022
Deceased: Richard Mullins
Location: Kneeland St. and Hudson St.
Sidewalk: Both sides
4:46 a.m., Sept. 1, 2022
Deceased: Thomas Ruffen
Location: Centre St. and Columbus Ave.
Sidewalk: Both sides
9:17 p.m., May 28, 2022
Deceased: Name not published
Location: Massachusetts Ave. and Harrison Ave.
Sidewalk: Both sides
9:58 p.m., Aug. 2, 2022
Deceased: Name not published
Location: Walnut Ave. and Seaver St.
Sidewalk: Both sides
2:29 a.m., Oct. 1, 2022
Deceased: Christian Yemga
Location:I-93 South, Exit MM 12.4
Sidewalk: No sidewalks
9:41 p.m., Oct. 22, 2022
Deceased: Mark McAuliffe
Location: I-93 South, Exit 15A
Sidewalk: No sidewalks
2:38 a.m., Dec. 11, 2022
Deceased: Name not published
Location: I-93 North, near Exit 15
Sidewalk: No sidewalks
8:57 p.m., Oct. 4, 2022
Deceased: Name not published
Location: 35 Spring St.
Sidewalk: Both sides
9:35 a.m., Sept. 8, 2022
Deceased: Name not published
Location: Morton St. and Selden St.
Sidewalk: Both sides
Cambridge
Boston
Brookline
Jamaica Plain
Dorchester
Mattapan
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SOURCE: Crash data created by WalkBoston and includes data from MassDOT IMPACT Crash Portal, Road Inventory GIS information, and news reports. Environmental Justice Population Data: Mass.gov • Crash data as of March 29, 2023.

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Install crossing islands and raised crosswalks

Pedestrian and vehicle collisions are more frequent at intersections where there are no traffic lights, Furth said. Crossing islands, or raised islands in the center of a street dividing two-way traffic, protect pedestrians and make it easier and safer to cross heavily trafficked roads compared to crosswalks.

"From US statistics, we know that [crossing islands] reduce fatality rates by 36 percent," Furth said. "They're phenomenally effective. They're not expensive." Crossing islands can make it safer to cross a street by providing a place to stop in the middle, Furth said, and they slow down traffic.

He said thousands of crossing islands could be deployed across the state fairly easily and at low cost if prioritized by the state government.

Similarly, raised crosswalks reduce vehicle speeds by functioning as a type of speed bump, said Stacy Thompson, executive director of LiveableStreets, a transportation advocacy organization. "It forces the car to slow down, otherwise they'll bottom out," Thompson said.

Increase sidewalk width, bike and bus lanes

Dedicating more space on roads exclusively for pedestrian, biker, and bus use simultaneously narrows streets, which experts say helps reduce fatalities by preventing cars from driving straight down roads at dangerous speeds.

"Rather than have the cycling lane in the roadway, take that portion of the roadway and elevate it and then separate it out so that it's at sidewalk level and protected from traffic," Aloisi said. "Give everyone who wants to walk and cycle a better chance to do it safely."

Bike lanes also provide better sightlines for pedestrians and drivers to see each other, according to Thompson.

Jascha Franklin-Hodge, Boston's chief of streets, told the Globe the city aims to beef up public, non-vehicular transport options to increase safety.

"Part of our goal ... is to shift more of our trips out of private automobiles, onto transit, onto bikes, on foot," Franklin-Hodge said. "Part of the effort around safety is really allocating space in a way that makes people feel comfortable with alternatives to driving a car."

Improve speed limit enforcement

According to a Northeastern study conducted by Furth, "if the traffic speed is more than 27 miles an hour, then cars just won't stop" for pedestrians trying to cross the street. Thompson called reduced speed limits in densely populated areas "a good starting point," but Aloisi said decreasing speed limits would not help slow cars without better speed enforcement.

"From a behavior perspective, if someone sees a sign once and they pay attention to it, if they drive the same route and see that same sign 10 times, it becomes part of the landscape," Aloisi said. "You need to enforce it."

Automated enforcement can take many different forms, Franklin-Hodge said. Though he added that it shouldn't be the primary way to keep people safe on the street, it can "play a role in helping to reduce the kind of dangerous driving behavior that can result in injuries and fatalities."

When speed cameras detect a violation, he explained, a photo is taken, the license plate is identified, and the car's registered owner receives a ticket.

"It has an established track record in other parts of the country, when deployed properly, in reducing the incidence of unsafe behavior," Franklin-Hodge said.

Allocate funding for cities and towns' capital projects

One barrier towns and cities face when seeking to add infrastructure to protect pedestrians is funding, Aloisi said.

In Massachusetts, cities and towns "don't have the unfettered ability to raise tax or tax revenues, all the money they need for projects," he said. Instead, they must ask the state Legislature for permission to enact certain changes.

"If we've got enough money that [the state is] offering a series of tax cuts, then it sounds to me like we've got enough money to give cities and towns more funding to protect people's lives by helping them redesign the urban public realm," Aloisi said.

Thompson also urged the Healy-Driscoll administration to allocate additional funding to help municipalities prevent pedestrian fatalities.

"They have the power to provide preventative technical assistance, support, funding, and really set a mandate for the entire state," Thompson said.

Furth argued that the risks pedestrians face on streets can't be fixed on a case-by-case basis.

"The thing about pedestrian deaths is they're not happening in one or two places. It's endemic, they're everywhere," Furth said. "We need systemic solutions."

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Students recall fear over hoax emergency call

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the Leverett House dorm around 4 a.m., according to a message sent by administrators to residents later Monday. The message included contact information for people to connect with campus resources, but did not include details of the threat or the use of long guns by responding officers.

"The responding team arrived within minutes and was able to quickly clear the scene. HUPD confirms that there is no active or immediate threat to our House community," the message said.

Through a spokesperson, the university declined to answer questions from The Boston Globe Monday.

The FBI's Boston office is aware of the reported swatting incident at Harvard and is coordinating with its law enforcement partners, according to Kristen Setera, an agency spokesperson. The FBI estimates there are thousands of such calls each year in the United States, according to Setera.

Dan Linskey, a security consultant and a former superintendent in chief for Boston police, said that speaking generally, departments train officers to respond to a threat by assessing danger and being ready to adapt to changing circumstances quickly. But that tactical response can be abused by callers who report hoax emergencies, he said.

"The problem you have with the swatting calls is people are weaponizing the need to respond that way in a real situation against innocent victims," Linskey said. "The key is training, training, training — training for the bad day that actually occurs. And training for, 'Someone's trying to use us to cause a problem for other people, and we're not going to be sucked into it.' "

At Harvard early Monday, student David Madzivanyika said he awoke to the sound of banging on the suite's doorway, and was going to answer when officers opened the door and came through with long guns.

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The Harvard University students who were victims of a 'swatting' incident in their dorm. Jazmin Dunlap (left), Alexandra René, David Madzivanyika, and Jarah Cotton.

He recalled raising his hands when an officer yelled orders. " 'Freeze! Put your hands where I can see them!' " the officer said, according to Madzivanyika.

"I was just thinking, 'Please, Lord, not today,' " Madzivanyika said. "It's a scary time for anybody to have a gun pointed at them, especially on a college campus."

Another student, Alexandra René, said the officers initially didn't explain why they were in the dorm, and ordered her to put her hands up.

"From what I know about how harmful the police can be, it was in my best interest to listen to them," René said. "So I did."

When police entered the suite, Dunlap was still asleep in her room with the door closed. She awoke when police ordered her to open up. She described a frantic effort to put on her glasses, and unlocked her door as quickly as possible.

"They specifically stated that they were going to come into my room if I didn't open my door," Dunlap said.

The four students were moved to another suite while officers appeared to search their rooms. After about 20 minutes, they stopped, and some of the officers explained why they responded in force, she said.

The university officers told the students the department had received a call reporting someone was going to kill two women living in their suite, the students said. Police told them they tried calling two of their cellphones before entering their suite.

Madzivanyika remained disturbed by the ordeal, including the hoax caller who appeared to know details about their dorm suite. But the police response didn't set him at ease.

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> DAVID MADZIVANYIKA, *Harvard student*

"Just the fact that that call can be made . . . that's unsettling. And then the response, too, is also unsettling," said Madzivanyika. "I appreciate the police trying to do their job that they're doing. But definitely, more training is required."

René questioned whether they would have approached it the same way with white students.

"They should not have responded to us in that way," René said. "Do I think if it had been a group of four white girls, the same thing would have happened? Probably not."

Living during a time of mass shootings, Cotton said she isn't sure how the police should have handled the case. She wants officers to be attentive, and if they received a report that someone was going to be killed, they needed to respond.

"So I understand why they did it. But in the moment, it was very frightening," Cotton said. "I felt like a criminal."

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Boston could ban mini bottles

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his order.

In his proposal, the councilor cited federal health authorities, who found in 2021 that excessive alcohol consumption is responsible for more than 95,000 deaths in the United States annually.

And during Monday's hearing, Dr. Bisola Ojikutu, the executive director of the Boston Public Health Commission, ticked off public health problems caused by alcohol locally. In 2021, more than 16,800 Boston residents had hospital visits related to alcohol use. The following year, Boston EMS logged nearly 8,000 interactions related to alcohol abuse, up about 100 from the previous year, she said.

"There is a role for regulation," she told the councilors.

Additionally, there are environmental problems posed by the bottles, Arroyo and others argue. Plastics that are used to make the bottles are not biodegradable and are often not recycled because they fall into designated glass piles with no way to sort them out, the order said. According to Arroyo, volunteers working to reduce litter in Boston's Hyde Park neighborhood collected 10,000 nips in less than two months.

"We have seen the proliferation of these singles," Arroyo said during Monday's hearing.

The Boston Licensing Board has the power to impose a condition that no mini bottles or single containers of beer be sold by a liquor store when granting the store's license, which Arroyo says it has done at least 70 times in the city.

The board also has the power to institute a citywide ban of the bottles on its own, according to Arroyo. And he has said he plans on sponsoring a resolution on the matter that the council could vote on at a later date.

During Monday's hearing, Council President Ed Flynn said, "I'm here to listen, to learn from both sides."

He also released a statement on Monday, saying the colloquial use of the word "nip" to describe the small bottles of booze should be avoided since it is also used "as a slur against a person of Japanese descent."

"I ask that we refer to these alcohol types as 'miniature alcohol bottles,' or 'singles' instead," he said. "At a time when there are increasing levels of anti-AAPI hate, it is even more critical that we ensure our words are not used for harm and discrimination. Words matter, and they should never be used to add to the flames of racism, sexism, and division."

Councilor Michael Flaherty said he had initial concerns about the effect on small businesses and possible unintended consequences of forcing consumers with alcohol problems to buy bigger bottles.

"This obviously will have major impacts," Flaherty said.

Kathleen Joyce, chairwoman of the Boston Licensing Board, said the board already asks liquor stores that are recipients of any new license or license transfer to voluntarily agree not to sell miniature alcohol bottles. She said a citywide ban proposal would likely involve her board holding a public hearing about such a move and having a comment period for the initiative. She acknowledged that there could be legal challenges to such a ban.

Councilor Brian Worrell, who chaired the council's committee on small business and professional licensure hearing on Monday, said the discussion was "just the start of the initial conversation" and emphasized that the council would not be voting on the matter this week.

Officials from Chelsea and Newton, where such bans already exist, extolled the advantages of such a ban. Officials from Chelsea said no liquor store has closed since the city's ban went into effect and that licenses for liquor stores still remain a valuable commodity there.

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Wide-ranging lessons found in rollout of AP course

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The new 234-page curriculum framework cut lessons on reparations, the Black Lives Matter movement, and intersectionality — a concept that explains how discrimination can be different based on a person's overlapping identities. However, teachers are responsible for creating their own lesson plans based on the framework and can incorporate other sources and topics, including those removed from the official framework, as they see fit.

Two high schools in Massachusetts — Cambridge Rindge and Latin School and Martha's Vineyard Regional High School — are participating in the yearlong pilot. Educators currently teaching the pilot course have the choice whether to continue with the original framework or adopt the new one; both the Cambridge and Martha's Vineyard teachers have continued teaching the original. Next year, all educators must use the revised version.

The updated framework was announced after Florida Governor Ron DeSantis threatened to ban the course. The organization's shift prompted some academics and civil rights advocates to accuse it of kowtowing to political pressures from groups of parents and conservative groups that aim to shape or eliminate what schools teach about race. The College Board denied the changes were influenced by DeSantis and stated the organization immediately should have denounced the "slander" from Florida's Education Department. The failure to do so, the board said, "betrayed Black scholars everywhere."

"We are at the beginning stages of introducing what will be the most rigorous, cohesive, and widely available immersion that high school students have ever had in African-American Studies," Jerome White, a spokesperson for the College Board, said in a statement to the Globe.

AP AAS
AP AFRICAN AMERICAN
1 Remember our Norms
2 Take 5 min to id what you will say + use for evidence
3 Discuss 5 minutes
Address people

PAT GREENHOUSE/GLOBE STAFF

Students worked on T-shirts as a class project for an AP African-American Studies pilot course at Cambridge Rindge and Latin School.

While much attention has been paid to the fallout in Florida, teachers piloting the class in Massachusetts — where state interference with the topics teachers cover, or the textbooks they use, is not as pervasive — said the framework revisions will have little impact on how they teach the course.

For example, Rachel Williams-Giordano, who is teaching the course in Cambridge this school year, has introduced Black author bell hooks, even though hooks is not required reading in either framework. Williams-Giordano will also continue to teach her students about Black Lives Matter, she said, because it is "impossible" to teach about the civil rights movement without talking about BLM.

"Have a little bit more faith in me, have a little bit more faith in my colleagues to know that we're going to do our due diligence to ensure our students are given the true, accurate history of the United States," said Williams-Giordano.

The pilot course framework is broken into four units. The course begins with students learning about the African diaspora, including early African societies and kingdoms, followed by units that dive into topics including slave resistance strategies and freedom, then a look into the Black Panther Party and diversity within Black communities.

The framework serves as a blueprint for the content students are required to know for the AP exam, which gives students college credit for the course if they score a minimum of a 3 (some colleges only take a score of 4 or 5); a mandatory research project counts for 20 percent of the AP exam score.

Students in Williams-Giordano's class said these in-depth topics have been missing in their education and provides them an environment within which to critically think about US history.

Ferrell, 16, said learning about Africa pre-colonization made her feel stronger about her identity as a Black student, adding that this is a significant part of US history that is not taught enough in classrooms but should be because it "sets the foundation for everything."

"We wouldn't have history without African Americans, we are built on enslavement and learning about that is crucial," she said.

During the discussion on slavery, several students in the class made connections between the treatment of slaves and present-day experiences of Black people in America, including how some doctors do not believe Black patients when it comes to pain.

Others also nodded in agreement when junior Agustina Leon Perdomo shared her thoughts on why it's difficult to move on from the past.

"We can't ignore history as long as it's affecting systems presently," Leon Perdomo, 16, said. "We can't start anew because the country never started anew, we just built on the institution of slavery. It may look different now, but it still is oppressing marginalized communities."

The pilot for AP African-American studies, which debuted this school year in Cambridge and at Martha's Vineyard, is expected to expand this fall to 800 schools around the country, including 10 in Boston Public Schools and 10 others across the state. The course will officially launch in 2024, and by spring of 2025 students will be able to take the AP exam for the course.

John Thornton, professor of history and African-American studies at Boston University who consulted in the development of the AP course, said students are being asked through the class to critically think about how the past and present were constructed.

Contemporary issues like intersectionality — which was pared down in the official framework — should be included in the course curriculum, he said.

"The misunderstanding that we have in Florida is that somehow this course is going to be an indoctrination and Critical Race Theory is going to make white kids feel bad ... but that has to be there for it to be a serious course," Thornton said.

Thornton said he believes that as the course expands, it could push other history teachers throughout the state, whether in AP courses or not, to incorporate more lessons about people of African descent.

Martha's Vineyard teacher Ena Thulin said the students in her AP African-American studies class have exhibited a pendulum of emotions — somber, anger, elation — as they process subject matters they have not been exposed to before.

The course allows Black students the opportunity to see themselves more in history rather than through a lens that rarely reflects them, Thulin said.

"The biggest value is recognizing that the history that they've been taught is incomplete," Thulin said.

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TV CRITIC'S CORNER

BY MATTHEW GILBERT

MARK PETERSON/NEW YORK TIMES

A media throng was kept behind barriers outside Manhattan Criminal Courthouse after a grand jury indicted Donald Trump last week. The former president is expected to appear Tuesday.

Coming to your TV: 'Trump: The Indictment'

A New York grand jury has decided to indict Donald Trump, apparently for his role in a hush money payment made during his 2016 presidential campaign. Trump is expected to turn himself in to authorities Tuesday. He will be fingerprinted, a mug shot will be taken, and he will enter a plea. Last week, one of Trump's lawyers told Reuters that Trump will plead not guilty.

What does this have to do with TV? A whole lot.

We can expect round-the-clock coverage and analysis. Trump's motorcade ride Monday from Mar-a-Lago to his red, white, and blue Boeing 757, emblazoned with his name in gold letters, was carried live on cable television as he left for New York.

Even if Trump were a shrinking violet, the media would be all over this historic moment. But with Trump's love of being in the public eye, and with the opportunity to raise money — and possibly votes — we can probably expect him to make noise of some kind.

Will there be protests? The media will be tracking the events closely on Tuesday to find out. While reporters and camera crews already wait across the street, metal barricades and officers have been placed around the Lower Manhattan courthouse that Trump will be reporting to.

Trump has already told supporters on social media, "Protest, take our nation back," a reminder of his final days in office, when he pushed his supporters to reject the results of the 2020 election.

LOVE LETTERS

BY MEREDITH GOLDSTEIN

Should I move to a city with more single men?

Q. I'm a 46-year-old witty, spunky, hard-working, adventurous woman looking for love, but I keep coming up short time and time again. I removed myself from the dating apps because every time I dipped my foot into the dating pool, it felt more like a medieval moat filled with alligators, eels, and frogs. I met multiple men who professed to be unattached but I found out they were married or in relationships. The guys I was interested in (very few) were emotionally unavailable, and like many online daters, I cycled on and off apps just to be proven that the dating pool of high-quality men is lacking. It feels like wasted energy.

I'm simply looking for a kind, well-rounded man, a strong communicator who wants to explore the world together (and someone easy on the eyes). It's pretty basic stuff! Do you think that geography plays a role in quality of dating pool? I often wonder if a city like D.C., where women outnumber men, is the problem, and that I need to move so I can increase my odds. What else should I be doing to find a real connection and hopefully a long-term partner?

SIMPLY LOOKING

A. Based on my quick census research, there are hundreds of thousands of people in Washington, D.C., in your general age group — not counting all of the people who take the Metro in from Maryland and Virginia. Some of those people are probably nice and dateable. Also, the gender ratio isn't too wild there. There might be more women than men, but ... there are still a lot of men.

I would never recommend moving from a city you like because you think you'll find love elsewhere. It's too big of a risk.

We did a podcast episode about this issue — even discussing work by data journalist Jonathan Soma, who made an interactive map with the number of singles in US cities. Even he'll remind you that people aren't numbers — they're all very different humans.

Now, if you aren't madly in love with D.C., and it isn't the place you'd choose to live with a perfect partner, that's another thing. It's a good idea — aspirational, really — to live where you feel like the best version of yourself. It's possible that even if you like D.C., you want to feel new somewhere else — to explore a place with fresh eyes. That wouldn't count as moving for a better dating pool; it'd be about shaking things up and finding new challenges.

That's a big "maybe" on a move (sorry). It really depends on the rest of your life — how happy you are otherwise.

As for dating in D.C., try to do everything in moderation. Limit your time on apps to 20 minutes a night. Pursue platforms that limit the number of faces you see each day. Also, expand that geography range by 10 miles or so. Traffic there is terrible, but you might find some great people in the suburbs. I'm from Columbia, Md., and I used to love driving into D.C.

Some of my old high school friends (a bunch settled there) might be just who you're looking for.

MEREDITH

READERS RESPOND:

There aren't necessarily easy fixes here. It's harder to find single middle-aged guys than it was when you were 22. People are more settled, less available, and more locked into their social scenes. But staying active in things that interest you is always going to be my advice, partly because you stay interesting and interested yourself, and partly because that's where you are most likely to find people who share some of your passions. The apps are overrated.

PRINCEHANS

If you keep finding the wrong men, you need to think outside your usual type. Sometimes the man of your dreams is not the man you dreamed of.

ASH

Moving seems a bit extreme, but you can widen your search, from say 20-mile radius to 50-mile radius, or (and I honestly don't want to use the term "lower your standards") give guys that are under 6 feet tall or are maybe packing a couple extra pounds a chance. Good luck.

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Movies Sports News Specials

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2 WGBH PBS	Greater Boston	R. Steves' Europe	Finding Your Roots With Henry		American Experience TV-PG		Frontline Taliban victory in Afghanistan. NEW		Amanpour and Company HD NEW	
4 WBZ CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! TV-G NEW	FBI: International (CC) TV-14		FBI Scola searches for terrorists. TV-14 NEW		FBI: Most Wanted (CC) TV-14		WBZ News 11p	Late-Colbert
5 WCVB ABC	NewsCenter 5	Chronicle (CC)	The Rookie (CC) HD TV-14		Will Trent (CC) HD TV-14-L		Will Trent A magician is murdered. TV-14-V		NewsCenter 5	Jimmy Kimmel
6 WLNE ABC	Hollywood	Inside Ed.	The Rookie TV-14		Will Trent TV-14-L		Will Trent TV-14-V		News	J. Kimmel
7 WHDH	Inside Edition TV-PG	Extra TV-PG NEW	Family Feud	Family Feud	7 News at 9PM (CC) NEW		7 News at 10PM (CC) NEW		7 News at 11PM NEW	Inside Edition TV-PG
9 WMUR ABC	Chronicle	News	The Rookie TV-14		Will Trent TV-14-L		Will Trent TV-14-V		News	J. Kimmel
10 NBC Boston	Boston News	Access Hollywood	Night Court	American Auto	The Voice (CC) HD TV-PG-D,L		That's My Jam HD TV-14-D,L		Boston News	Tonight Show
10 WJAR NBC	NBC 10 News	Extra TV-PG NEW	Night Court	American Auto	The Voice (CC) HD TV-PG-D,L		That's My Jam HD TV-14-D,L		News	Tonight Show
11 WENH PBS	Travelscope	Basic Black	Finding Your Roots With Henry		American Experience TV-PG		Frontline Taliban victory in Afghanistan. NEW		Amanpour and Company HD NEW	
12 WPRI CBS	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy! TV-G NEW	FBI: International (CC) TV-14		FBI Scola searches for terrorists. TV-14 NEW		FBI: Most Wanted (CC) TV-14		12 News at 11 NEW	Late-Colbert
25 WFXT FOX	Ent. Tonight	TMZ (CC) TV-PG NEW	9-1-1: Lone Star HD TV-14-D,L,S,V		(9:01) Accused HD TV-14-L,V		Boston 25 News at 10PM HD NEW		Boston News	National News
27 WUNI	La rosa de Guadalupe HD TV-14 NEW		La herencia HD TV-14 NEW		Los ricos también lloran HD NEW		La madrastra HD NEW		Noticias Univisión	Noticiero Univision:
36 WSBE PBS	Last of the Wine	You Being Served?	Upstart Crow	Waiting for God	As Time Goes By	Keep-Appear	Doc Martin TV-PG		PBS NewsHour (CC) HD NEW	
38 WSBK	Big Bang Theory	Big Bang Theory	WBZ News 8p (CC) HD NEW		Daytime Jeopardy	Big Bang Theory	CBS News Boston Now on TV38 (CC) NEW		Seinfeld TV-PG	Seinfeld TV-PG
44 WGBX PBS	Test Kitchen	Antiques Roadshow	Call the Midwife (CC) HD TV-14		Sanditon on Masterpiece HD TV-PG		Marie-Antoinette HD TV-14-D,S		PBS NewsHour (CC) HD NEW	
50 WWJE	Sunshine Slayings		Dateline (CC) TV-PG		Dateline (CC) TV-PG		Dateline (CC)		The Last 24 TV-14	
56 WLVI CW	Young Sheldon	Young Sheldon	Superman & Lois HD TV-PG-V		Gotham Knights (CC) HD TV-14-D,L,V		7 News at 10PM on CW56 (CC) NEW		Modern Family	Modern Family
64 WNAC FOX	Family Feud	Family Feud	9-1-1: Lone Star HD TV-14-D,L,S,V		(9:01) Accused HD TV-14-L,V		12 News on Fox Providence at 10pm NEW		Seinfeld TV-PG	Seinfeld TV-PG
68 WBPX ION	Chicago Fire (CC) TV-14-L,S,V		Chicago Fire (CC) TV-14-L		Chicago Fire (CC) TV-14-V		Chicago Fire (CC) TV-14-V		Chicago Fire (CC) TV-14-L	
PREMIUM CABLE										
Cinemax	(6:00) ★★ Transcendence		★★★ Belfast (2021) (CC) Premiere. PG-13		(9:39) ★★★ Sideways (2004) (CC) Two friends ponder their lives during a road trip. R					
Flix	(5:45) The Manchurian Candidate R		★★★ Eve's Bayou (1997) (CC) A girl's family life unravels in 1960s Louisiana. R				★★★ A River Runs Through It (1992) (CC) PG			
HBO	(6:55) Succession (CC) TV-MA		Succession (CC) TV-MA		★★★ Casino Royale (2006) (CC) James Bond plays poker with a man who finances terrorists. PG-13					Perry Mason (CC)
HBO 2	(5:45) ★★★ Captain Phillips		★★★ All the Beauty and the Bloodshed (2022) (CC) NR				Last Week To.	Game Theory	(11:10) Succession (CC) TV-MA	
Showtime	(5:50) ★★★ Snowpiercer (2013) R		Yellowjackets (CC) TV-MA		★★★ Bodies Bodies Bodies (2022) (CC) R			(10:35) Yellowjackets (CC) TV-MA		(11:35) Waco
Showtime 2	(6:30) Monstrous (2022) (CC) PG-13		★★★ Carrie (1976) (CC) Premiere. R			(9:45) ★ The Rage: Carrie 2 (1999) (CC) Premiere. R				★★ April Fool's Day
Starz!	(5:20) Talk to Me R	(7:22) The Misfits (2021) (CC) R			★★ Bridget Jones's Baby (2016) (CC) R				Resident Evil: Welcome to Raccoon City	
TMC	(6:45) ★★★ How She Move (2007) (CC) PG-13			(8:25) ★★ Just Another Girl on the I.R.T. (1992) (CC) R			(10:05) ★★★ Selma (2014) Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. fights for voting rights for all.			
SPORTS										
CBSSN	2023 Tournament Rebound				American Rodeo Contender Tournament Finals From Arlington, Texas.					Ameri. Rodeo
ESPN	SportsCenter (CC)		NHL Hockey (CC) Vegas Golden Knights at Nashville Predators. From Bridgestone Arena in Nashville, Tenn. NEW				NHL Hockey (CC) Edmonton Oilers at Los Angeles Kings. NEW			
ESPN2	The Point (CC) NEW	Don't Ever Give Up (CC)	30 for 30 (CC)					UFC - The Walk (CC)	SportsCenter (CC) Live. NEW	
Fox Sports 1	NASCAR Race Hub (CC) TV-14		CONCACAF Champions League Soccer (CC) Philadelphia Union vs Club Atlas. Live. NEW				CONCACAF Champions League Soccer (CC) León vs Violette Athletic Club. Live. NEW			
Golf	Live From the Masters (CC) Live. TV-G NEW				Live From the Masters (CC) TV-G					
NBA	NBA 2K	kobe	NBA Special		NBA Special		NBA Special		Crunch	GameTime
NBC Sports Boston	Celtics Pregame Live (CC) Live. NEW		NBA Basketball (CC) Boston Celtics at Philadelphia 76ers. From Wells Fargo Center in Philadelphia. Live. NEW					Celtics Postgame	Celtics Post	Boston Sports
NESN	MLB Baseball Pittsburgh Pirates at Boston Red Sox. Live. NEW						Extra	Red Sox	MLB Baseball	
FAMILY										
Cartoon	Smurfs 2	Scooby	King/Hill	King/Hill	King/Hill	Burgers	Burgers	American	American	American
Disney	Ladybug & Cat	Marvel's Mo	Big City Greens	Big City Greens	Jessie (CC) TV-G	Jessie (CC) TV-G	Big City Greens	Hamster & Gretel	Marvel's Mo	Ladybug & Cat
Encore Family	(7:06) Miss Potter			(8:39) ★★ Mirror Mirror PG				(10:26) Four Kids and It (2020) PG		
Nickelodeon	★★ The Addams Family (2019) (CC)				Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends	Friends
Nick Jr.	Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Paddingtn	Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Peppa Pig	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble	Bubble

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BASIC CABLE										
A&E	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Neighborhood
AMC	Lethal Weapon 2 (CC)		★★★ Lethal Weapon 3 (1992) (CC)					★★ Lethal Weapon 4 (1998) (CC)		
Animal Planet	North Woods Law TV-PG		North Woods Law TV-PG		North Woods Law TV-PG		North Woods Law TV-PG		North Woods Law TV-PG	
BBC America	Bones TV-14-D,L,V		Bones TV-14-D,L,S,V		Bones TV-14-D,L,S,V		Bones (CC) TV-14-L,V		Bones TV-14-D,L,S,V	
BET	House of Payne	House of Payne	Neighborhood	Neighborhood	Carl Weber's The Family Business (CC)		All the Queen's Men (CC) TV-MA		Martin TV-PG	Martin TV-PG
Bravo	The Real Housewives of New Jersey		The Real Housewives of New Jersey (CC)		The Real Housewives of New Jersey (CC) TV-14-D,L NEW			The Real Housewives of New Jersey (CC)		SWV & Xscape
CMT	Last Man	Last Man	Mom (CC)	Mom (CC)	Mom (CC)	Mom (CC)	Mom (CC)	Mom (CC)	Mom (CC)	Mom (CC)
CNN	Erin Burnett OutFront		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight (CC) NEW		CNN Tonight (CC) NEW		CNN Tonight (CC) NEW	
Comedy Central	(7:10) The Office	(7:45) The Office (CC) TV-14		(8:20) The Office	(8:55) The Office	The Office TV-14	The Office TV-14-L	The Office TV-14	The Daily Show NEW	(11:35) Digman!
CSPAN	(5:00) Public Affairs Events (CC)									
CSPAN2	(4:00) Public Affairs Events									
Dest. America	Beach	Beach	Beach	Beach	Beach	Beach	Beach	Beach	Beach	Beach
Discovery	Homestead Rescue		Homestead Rescue (CC) TV-PG				(10:01) Homestead Rescue (CC) TV-PG			
Discovery Life	(6:00) My 600-Lb. Life		Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Pregnant	Mystery ER TV-PG		Mystery ER TV-PG	
E!	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	E! News	Hart
Encore	(7:14) The Holly (2022) (CC) Premiere. NR				★★ Venom (2018) (CC) PG-13				Ex-Girlfriend	
Food	Chopped (CC) TV-G		Chopped (CC) TV-G		Superchef Grudge Match (CC) TV-PG		Chopped Creativity is on display. TV-G		Chopped (CC) TV-PG	
Fox News	Jesse Watters		Tucker Carlson		Hannity (CC) Live. NEW		The Ingraham Angle		Gutfeld! (CC) NEW	
Freeform	(6:50) ★★ Stuber (2019) (CC)				(8:55) ★ The Waterboy (1998) (CC)				The 700 Club (CC)	
FUSE	Malcolm	Malcolm	Malcolm	Malcolm	Buffy, Vampire Slayer		Buffy, Vampire Slayer		Buffy, Vampire Slayer	
FX	(6:30) ★★★ Spider-Man (2002) (CC)				★★★ Spider-Man 2 (2004) (CC)					
FXM	Bad Co	(7:40) ★★★ Fight Club (1999) (CC)						★★★ Fight Club (1999) (CC)		
Hallmark	The Last Bridesmaid		Dating the Delaneys (2022) (CC) TV-G				Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls	Gold Girls
Hallmark M.&M.	One Summer (2021) (CC) TV-G				Love, Once and Always (2018) TV-G				Murder, She Wrote	
HGTV	Fixer to Fabulous (CC) TV-G		Fixer to Fabulous (CC) TV-G		Renovation 911 (CC) TV-G NEW		House Hunters	Hunters Int'l	House Hunters	Hunters Int'l
History	The Curse of Oak Island TV-PG		The Curse of Oak Island: Digging Deeper		The Curse of Oak Island TV-PG		(10:03) History's Greatest Mysteries		(11:05) The Curse of Oak Island TV-PG	
HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14		Third Watch TV-14	
HSN	What a Girl Wants		What a Girl Wants		Colleen Lopez		Colleen Lopez		Diamond	
ID	Real PD: Kansas City (CC) TV-14		Fear Thy Neighbor (CC) TV-14		Murder in My House (CC) TV-14		Murder & Basketball (CC)		The Murder Tapes (CC) TV-14	
IFC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
Lifetime	Castle TV-PG-L,V		Castle TV-PG-L,V		Castle TV-PG-L,V		(10:03) Castle (CC)		(11:03) Castle (CC)	
LMN	He's Not Worth Dying		Her Study of a Killer (2023) (CC)				Cruel Instruction (2022) (CC) TV-14-D,L,S,V			
MAGN	Building Off the Grid		Restored (CC) TV-G		Building Off the Grid		Building Off the Grid		Building Off the Grid	
MSNBC	The ReidOut (CC) NEW		All In With		Alex Wagner Tonight		The Last Word With		11th Hour	
MTV	Catfish: The TV Show		Catfish: The TV Show		Help! I'm in a Secret		Help! I'm in a Secret		Ridiculous	Ridiculous
National Geographic	Life Below Zero (CC) TV-PG		Port Protection Alaska (CC) TV-14		Life Below Zero: Next Generation TV-14		Restaurants at the End of the World		Port Protection Alaska (CC) TV-14	
NatGeoWild	The Incredible Dr. Pol		The Incredible Dr. Pol		The Incredible Dr. Pol		The Incredible Dr. Pol		The Incredible Dr. Pol	
NECN	necn NOW NEW		Dateline (CC) TV-PG		Dateline (CC) TV-PG		LX Current-NECN		1st Look	House
NewsNation	On Balance		Cuomo (CC) NEW		Dan Abrams Live NEW		Banfield (CC) NEW		Cuomo (CC)	
Ovation	The Librarians (CC)		The Librarians (CC)		The Librarians (CC)		The Librarians (CC)		Librarian: King	
OWN	Dr. Phil (CC) TV-14-L		All Rise (CC) TV-14		Deadline: Crime		Deadline: Crime		Deadline: Crime	
Oxygen	Unforgettable		Dateline: Unforgettable (CC) TV-PG				Dateline: Unforgettable (CC) TV-PG			
Paramount	Two Men	Two Men	★★ The Day After Tomorrow (2004) (CC)						Gone in 60 Seconds	
QVC	Beauty Secrets		Shoe Shopping		Peter Thomas Roth		Girls' Night in With Courtney & Jane TV-G NEW			
Science	Mysteries of		Mysteries of		Mysteries of		Mysteries of		Mysteries of	
Sundance	NCIS A mortar attack in Baghdad. TV-14-L,V		NCIS (CC) TV-14-D,L,S,V		NCIS (CC) TV-14-V		NCIS The team hunts a killer. TV-14-D,L,V		NCIS (CC) TV-14-D,L,V	
SyFy	(5:30) Speed		★★ 2012 (2009) (CC) A global cataclysm nearly wipes out humanity.							Da Vinci
TBS	MLB Baseball (CC) Philadelphia Phillies at New York Yankees. Live. NEW							MLB	Sheldon	Sheldon
TCM	(6:30) Little Big Shot		★★★★ 42nd Street (1933) (CC)				★★★ Gold Diggers of 1933 (CC)			Footlight
TLC	1000-Lb. Sisters TV-14		1000-Lb. Sisters TV-14		1000-Lb. Sisters TV-14		Return to Amish TV-14		Darcey & Stacey	
TNT	Hancock	Pregame	NBA Basketball (CC) Boston Celtics at Philadelphia 76ers.					NBA on TNT		Crackers
Travel	Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures		Ghost Adventures (CC) TV-14			
TruTV	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	Jokes	★★★ This Is the End (2013) (CC)			
TV Land	Andy G.	Andy G.	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King	King
TV One	Cosby	Cosby	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single	Lv Single
USA	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit		WWE NXT (CC) Live. TV-PG NEW				(10:08) Race to Survive: Alaska (CC) TV-14-L			The Wolverine
VH-1	To Be Announced					Movie (CC)				
WE	Law & Order TV-14-L		Law & Order TV-PG		Law & Order TV-14-L		Law & Order TV-14-L		Law & Order TV-14-L	

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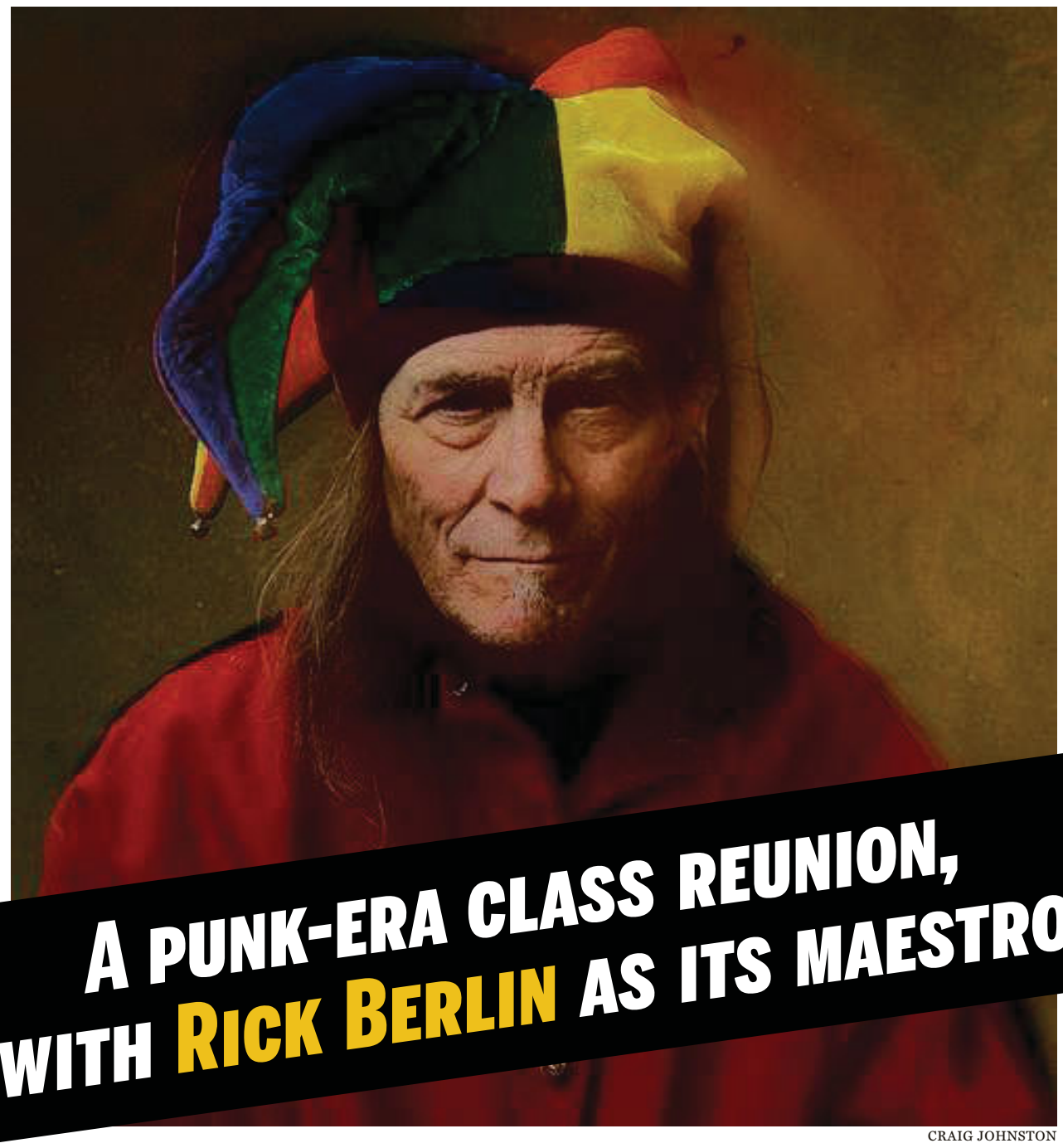
A PUNK-ERA CLASS REUNION, WITH RICK BERLIN AS ITS MAESTRO



CRAIG JOHNSTON

WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER: A CELEBRATION OF THE MUSIC OF RICK BERLIN
With Orchestra Luna, Berlin Airlift, the Nickel & Dime Band, the Nervous Eaters, the Sheila Divine, and Hallelujah the Hills.
At Brighton Music Hall. April 6 at 8 p.m. $20. crossroadspresents.com

By Tristram Lozaw
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

It's been said that there's nothing scarier than an old punk rocker. But some of those same rockers of a certain age are creating remarkably vital music today, often with a freshness that rivals and sometimes surpasses the muscle of their original groups.

"I'm scary alright. I just have to look in the mirror," jokes keyboardist-singer Rick Berlin (born Richard Kinscherf), who has assembled a bill of acts originally formed up to five decades ago for a show at Brighton Music Hall on Thursday.

"We're All In This Together: A Celebration of the Music of Rick Berlin" will feature a few of Berlin's groups from over the years, including Orchestra Luna in a rare reunion appearance; Berlin Airlift; and his present-day Nickel & Dime Band, which will be joined on guitar and vocals by the Neighborhoods' Dave Minehan (another punk-era hero), Gary Cherone (Extreme, Van Halen), and Jane Mangini (Trans-Siberian Orchestra). Berlin also recruited resurgent punk-era rockers the Nervous Eaters. Sharing the overstuffed bill are two popular local bands that formed two decades back, the Sheila Divine and Hallelujah the Hills.

The evening's performers have enjoyed varying degrees of success. But as longtime players in the world of rock, they all hold one thing in common: Their staying power comes from their passion for the music, not the paydays that groups get in tours of large arenas.

In the late 1970s the term "punk rock" provided a broad stylistic umbrella for groups with a new independent energy, before being divided into descriptors like hardcore, new wave, art rock, and more. Even with such inclusive categorization, Orchestra Luna's punk-cabaret-choreographed pop stood out, enough to attract a major label for the release of their eponymous LP and develop a significant fanbase in New York as well as around Boston. Their last reunion was two decades ago.

"Orchestra Luna was my first ever and most innocent band," says Berlin. The group began with Liz Gallagher and Rick's sister Lisa Kinscherf, the original Lunettes, before expanding from a trio into an eight-piece group.

Berlin Airlift, a solid rock-pop quintet, received substantial airplay on local rock stations in the early '80s, and their tune "Hunger Strikes" was the top local song of 1983 on Boston's WBCN-FM. The Airlift split shortly after appearing on a regional tour with the J. Geils Band.

Besides revisiting the lasting allure of their music, Berlin sees the Thursday show as "a chance to honor those no longer with us from both bands."

He reached out to the groups' past members, and though some had dispersed across the country, all living members from both Orchestra Luna and Berlin Airlift agreed to perform.

The condensed retrospective of Berlin's varied music career will show off his appeal as a consummate, personable entertainer. He has over a dozen albums in his discography; he led the Rick Berlin: The Movie and Shelley Winters Project bands; wrote two books, "The Big Balloon (A Love Story)" and "The Paragraph"; produced 70 videos; co-presents the Jamaica Plain Music Festival; had a "day job" at Doyle's Café in Jamaica Plain until the pandemic; and recorded the "Cha Cha Club," his duet with Mangini. For their set on this evening, the eight-piece pop-rock Nickel & Dime Band will feature tracks from all seven of their albums, including the new "True Story."

"As long as I still have ideas for songs, even some no one ever hears, I'm inspired," Berlin says. "I never made it to the big time, but I'm proud of what I've done these last 50 years and of my band, 12 years strong. I feel lucky. Even playing in front of tiny audiences, this ol' coot flouncing about onstage, is a blast. When I run out of gas I hope I'm hip to it and throw in the towel."

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Berlin says that the Nervous Eaters have an "oblique history with us. Guitarist-singer Adam Sherman, their newest member, was part of Private Lightning when they played the Orpheum with Orchestra Luna decades ago. I'm honored that they agreed to be on the bill," he says, aware that the Eaters could have headlined the evening in their own right.

The Nervous Eaters were a major presence on the Boston punk scene and had a local hit with their 1976 indie rock-pop sing-along "Loretta." Singer-guitarist Steve Cataldo, who holds down a day job, has kept the band alive through various incarnations. The latest came together about four years ago and has made a splash with the tuneful snarl of their pandemic project, "Monsters + Angels," released in November.

The album demos, which captured a tuneful energy reminiscent of the original band, caught the ear of Little Steven Van Zandt. He released the album on his Wicked Cool label and regularly features tracks on his Sirius XM channel, "The Underground Garage."

That the band has had such staying power is a tribute to the still-hungry musicians that fuel it. Eaters drummer Dan McLean is a prime example. "Having a regular career outside of music, in my case I'm a finance guy, was a compromise," he says. "I sacrificed time away from my instrument to provide some balance to other parts of my life, and my life is rich and full because of that."

Bassist Brad Hallen, who co-produced "Monsters + Angels" with Cataldo, has worked only as a musician since playing in Pastiche more than four decades ago. His resume is impressive: Duke Robillard, Roomful of Blues, Susan Tedeschi, James Cotton, Hubert Sumlin, Billy Boy Arnold, Johnny Winter, Jimmy Vaughan, Otis Clay, and others in the blues and R&B world, "not to mention all the pop and rock artists."

"I worked with Steve in the '80s in both the Nervous Eaters and his Lionhouse Blues Band. His vocal phrasing sets him apart from other singers in the punk genre," Hallen says. "Steve called me literally a couple days after I had left Duke Robillard after 12 years asking me if I knew any bass players looking for work. I said 'Well' . . . It was good timing."

"Constantly playing is the only way to keep our chops up," adds Cataldo. "Both Adam [Sherman] and I write all the time, there's always lots of good material to choose from."

Though rock clubs have disappeared left and right over the years, the Eaters are lucky to have a record label that is "really behind" them and a booking agent who keeps them busy. "The band tries to get in front of as many new faces as we can," Cataldo asserts. It helps that "Monsters + Angels" gets airplay on "The Underground Garage" channel. Three songs from the album — "Superman's Hands," "Chad," and "Wild Eyes" — made it to the weekly "Coolest Song in the World" status in 2022. Does Cataldo still get a kick hearing his songs on the radio? "You bet I do, that has never stopped, it's still a thrill," he says.

The Nervous Eaters have most of the new songs ready for the band's second project for Wicked Cool and start recording the album later this month. Among the tunes is "Into the Shadows" by guitarist Sherman. "I'm really looking forward to recording that one. If that song is not a smash hit, I will move to California," Cataldo says.

Blending pop with jazz, singer-songwriter Laufey captures young love

LAUFEY
With Laura Elliott. At Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center, Great Barrington. April 7 at 8 p.m. $34-$44. mahaiwe.org/event/laufey/

By Abigail Lee
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

When Laufey played The Sinclair in Cambridge last September, it was somewhat of a homecoming. As a Berklee College of Music student, the 23-year-old singer-songwriter used to see her favorite artists at the venue, before she graduated in 2021. The first song Laufey released — and one of the first she's ever written — is 2020's "Street by Street," a defiant reclamation of the streets of Boston after a heartbreak makes it hard to stay in the city.

Laufey's star has risen considerably since her early college days. During the pandemic, she started posting on TikTok and sharing her romantic, jazz-inflected compositions, which draw from the jazz standards she grew up with and her classical training as a cellist and pianist. The Icelandic-Chinese musician's debut album, "Everything I Know About Love," released in August, meshes traditional and pop sounds to explore the qualms of modern dating. Laufey spoke to the Globe ahead of her show at Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center in Great Barrington Friday.

Q. What was it like going on your first tour last year?
A. It was so magical. I definitely started on social media, on Instagram and TikTok, during the pandemic when you couldn't even tour, and it all was this beautiful accident that I even grew this following. I'd never seen [my fans'] faces in real life prior to touring, so getting to go on tour and do shows and see fans in real life and see their energy and who they are has been really, really special.

Q. You performed at the concert hall Harpa with the Iceland Symphony Orchestra in October. When you were writing your album, did you imagine that a concert hall would be the kind of venue that these songs could be performed in?
A. Definitely. I mean, I never in a million years thought it would happen, but I always have that in thought. All my dream venues to play are historical stages or concert halls, places where orchestras performed. When I write my music and record it, I want it to be as big as possible. Musically, I add a lot of cello parts, lots of string parts, and try to expand as much as possible.

Q. "Everything I Know About Love" captures such a full range of romantic experiences from falling in love to songs about never being in love. How did you approach sequencing the album?
A. I felt more musically about it rather than lyrically because when you're young and even when you journal about your experiences in love, it's all over the place. You're like, "I'm in love!" And then all of a sudden, next day, you're like, "I'm so heartbroken. I don't know why this happened." And you're like, "Wait a minute, he's actually a little bit interested." And then the next day you're like, "I'm never going to find anyone ever in my life, and I miss my family." And that messiness of thought around love and relationships when you're young — the album is kind of like that.

ERLENDUR SVEINSSON

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Q. Your songs always have some kind of vignette or scene contained within them. What drew you to that specific kind of storytelling through your lyrics?
A. I watched a lot of musicals growing up, which is where I learned about jazz songs in the first place. I just love a good story. I've always loved songs like that, that tell a really good story. I'm a huge Taylor Swift fan. I always admired how she could tell a really good story.

Q. What made you want to merge jazz with pop?
A. I wanted to introduce jazz music to a new audience, to a Gen Z audience, as well as everyone else, but especially this audience that hasn't been exposed to it as much. I wanted to find a way to bring it back. Take references from it and borrow sounds from it, but not completely try to copy it. Just make it something more relevant for me and for my age group.

Q. You're Icelandic and Chinese, and you grew up between Reykjavík and Washington, D.C. Is cultural identity something that factors into your songwriting?
A. One of the reasons I come across so confused in my songs is there's the love portion, but then somewhere behind it, I've always been a little bit misplaced. I was the odd orchestra kid growing up. Everywhere I went, I never felt like I completely fit in. So I think there's a sense of that, but because of that I grew very, very close to my family. I'm very close with my mom and dad and twin sister. And now I live in LA very, very far away from them, so I write a lot about being homesick or missing people at home.

It's been really special to see the Laufey community grow. I found that there is such a lack of representation for Asian musicians in the music industry, and especially in the space that I am in. I have a lot of Asian fans, I find, and I can't help but think that it's because there are just so few Asian artists to look up to for young Asians, that I've become one of them to look up to, which is really touching, and I really do feel a sense of responsibility there.

Q. Are you working on a new album right now?
A. I am actually. What will hopefully be a second album. I'm in the writing and recording process.

Q. Is there anything you can tell us about the direction that you're going in?
A. I'm still pushing the jazz and classical side of me. I'm still very much on that track. I want to still keep in that lane of sound. If anything, I'm leaning a little more into my classical roots.

Q. Has your process changed at all since you made your first album?
A. Yes, it definitely has. My first album was just a collection of all the songs I'd written ever, really. [This one is] very concept driven. I wrote the album from scratch, which was a crazy thing to do because I had never done that before. I didn't even know if I was able to do that, just sit down and write an album on demand, but I think I proved that to myself, so I'm very excited about it.

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The relentlessness of Hathaway's hustle

He's gone from hawking lobster rolls to laying checks

By Matt Porter
GLOBE STAFF

The Brown University hockey players setting up shop at lunchtime might have created skeptics among even the most adventurous of Providence's financial district.

A bad lobster roll makes for a bad day at the office.

But Garnet Hathaway, now a tough customer with the Bruins, knew exactly what he was serving alongside two Brown teammates. At age 11, he had worked the fish market at his family's restaurant. He had all the proper permits and certifications. His father, who owns a lobster processing company near their home in Kennebunkport, Maine, would sell him prime product.

It was trapped and shucked and cooked and kept on ice in 2-pound bags. It was delivered to a 7-foot cart that was sourced from a sausage vendor at Fenway Park. It was mixed with mayonnaise (or melted butter, if you prefer), salt and pepper, and laid on a grilled bun. It was $14 with a bag of Cape Cod chips and a soda.

"It was an adventure," Hathaway said, "learning how to run a business and how to train for hockey."

Lazyman Lobster — named for the Maine menu staple, the lobster you don't have to work for — turned a pret-

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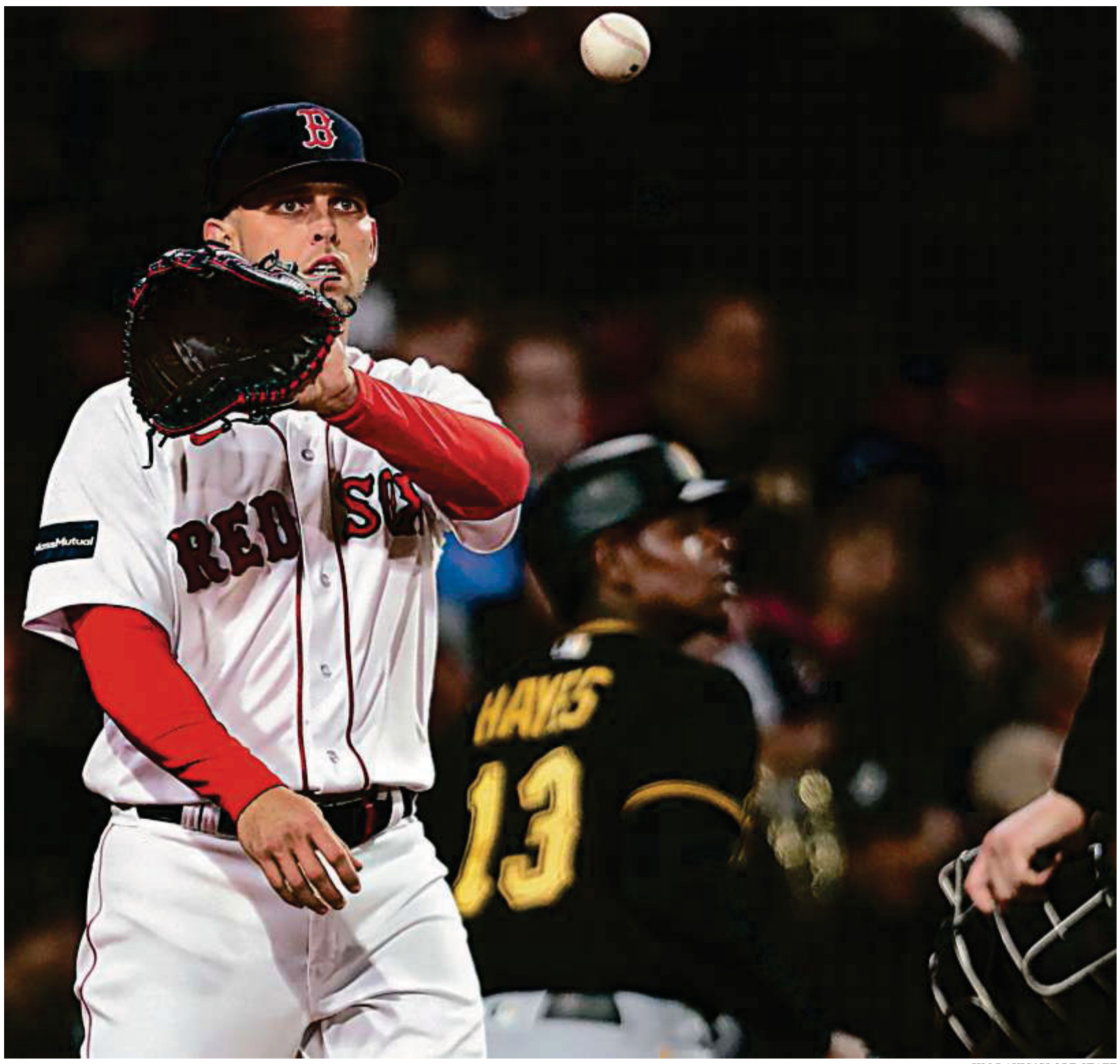
Garnet Hathaway of the Bruins knows the value of a good body check, this one delivered to Edmonton defenseman Mattias Ekholm.



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Another day, another short start for a Red Sox pitcher after Kutter Crawford gave up seven runs on eight hits in just four innings.

Sox pitching pounded again

Crawford roughed up for three homers, seven runs

By Julian McWilliams
GLOBE STAFF

Pirates 7
Red Sox 6

The Sox couldn't pry out a win Monday night at Fenway Park.

With one out in the ninth and the Sox trailing by a run, Raimel Tapia reached on an infield single. But Kiké Hernández and pinch-hitter Rob Refsnyder struck out in back-to-back at-bats, cementing a 7-6 loss.

The offense couldn't save the pitching. Not this time.

Red Sox starters haven't had much success the first time through the rotation. Even though they escaped with a series win against the Orioles, Sox starters allowed 15 runs (all earned) in 11⅓ innings, spiking the rotation's ERA to 11.91 in three games.

Monday's series opener against the lowly Pirates wasn't any different.

Kutter Crawford lasted just four innings, giving up seven earned runs on eight hits with three homers.

The offense, as it had in the previous three contests, kept the team in the game. After the Pirates put up three runs in the first, the Red Sox responded with a three-homer inning. Rafael Devers hit his first of the year, clobbering a middle-middle fastball from starter Johan Ovie-

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UConn's Jordan Hawkins capped a brilliant tournament run with 16 points and a title.

Dream finish for Huskies

UConn men finish off stirring run with fifth title

By Eddie Pells
ASSOCIATED PRESS

UConn 76
San Diego St. 59

HOUSTON — UConn topped off one of the most impressive March Madness runs in history Monday night, clamping down early and breaking it open late to bring home its fifth national title with a 76-59 victory over San Diego State.

Adama Sanogo had 17 points and 10 rebounds and Tristen Newton also had a double-double with 19 points and 10 boards for the Huskies (31-8), who became the fifth team since the bracket expanded in 1985 to win all six NCAA Tournament games by double digits on the way to a championship.

They won the six games by an average of 20 points, only a fraction less than what North Carolina did in sweeping to the title in 2009.

UConn built a 16-point lead late in the first

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CHRISTOPHER L. GASPER

What's really going on with Belichick, Kraft?

The Patriots, particularly coach Bill Belichick, like to revel in their history. The Roman historian Tacitus summed up the current state of the team: "Victory is claimed by all, failure to one alone."

Both Belichick and owner Robert Kraft were happy to herald their roles in winning six Super Bowls. We could fill a library with the books dedicated to each. Now, neither wants to be the face of the Patriots downturn — four years without a playoff win and two losing seasons in the last three.

They're passing that buck better than anything from the arm of Mac Jones. The press posturing of the two Patriots pillars indicates how deep the divide is. They're not telling the same story never mind being on the same page.

Kraft's media proxies say he has pelted Belichick with verbal demerits and that Kraft is responsible for the installation of a qualified offensive coordinator, Bill O'Brien. Camp Belichick relays that despite all the tough talk from the owner it's business as usual in Fort Foxborough. The changes made this offseason were ones the coach was

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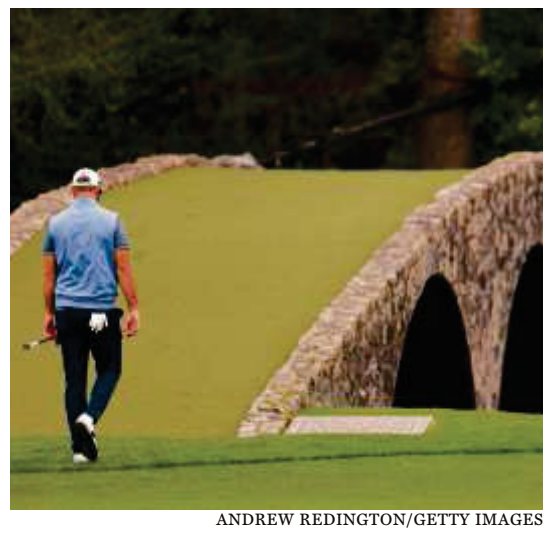

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Bridging the gap?
Dustin Johnson (above) and LIV players have a major opportunity at the Masters. **C2**

Uplifting experience
Montgomery was on a championship team in college; are his Bruins on a similar path? **C3**

GARY WASHBURN
ON BASKETBALL

Celtics looking out for No. 1, but 2 seed likely

PHILADELPHIA — The Celtics will walk into Wells Fargo Center on Tuesday with a chance to sweep the season series with the 76ers and clinch the No. 2 seed in the Eastern Conference.

Chances at the No. 1 seed are slim as the 76ers couldn't help out the Celtics on Sunday. They were blasted by the Bucks at Fiserv Forum, almost sealing the top three seeds with Milwaukee leading the Celtics by two games with four to play.

This is the season's final week and the Celtics still have no clue about their first-round opponent and likely won't know until the middle of next week, when the play-in games are decided.

When the NBA added two teams and created the play-in tournament, it not only added more intrigue and competition for postseason spots, it also ensured that the top two seeds from each conference would have to wait additional time to learn of its first-round opponent.

"There's nothing we can do about it; it's out of our control," Celtics coach Joe Mazzulla said. "What we can control is playing the way we played in the last 11 games.

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LIV's Brooks Koepka (left) and the PGA Tour's Jon Rahm are both looking for their first win at Augusta.

Major opportunity for LIV

Masters its chance to prove legitimacy

By Alan Blinder
NEW YORK TIMES

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Dustin Johnson, who won the 2020 Masters with the lowest score in its history, is one of five former Augusta winners on the LIV Tour.

MIAMI BEACH, Fla. — On Thursday afternoon, one week before the Masters Tournament, Greg Norman sat not at a golf course, but in a building populated that day by billionaires, royals and former prime ministers.

He had a case to make: that LIV Golf, the insurgent circuit that he has built with a 10-figure pot of money from Saudi Arabia's sovereign wealth fund, has made itself into a muscular, undaunted rival to the PGA Tour.

Norman might have been too sanguine at times — in court documents, LIV's own lawyers said the league had been relegated to a "secondary" television network and that it had faced revenues of "virtually zero" — but it may matter only so much. For many casual fans, LIV's legitimacy, if the league lasts, is most likely to be settled at places like Augusta National Golf Club, not at meetings of the global elite or in a thicket of antitrust case filings.

LIV players have competed in major tournaments since their defections from the PGA Tour with varied results: Bryson DeChambeau and Dustin Johnson finished in the top 10 at last July's British Open, where Brooks Koepka and Phil Mickelson missed the cut. This year, though, offers a more formidable test because it will be the first time some of the Saudi-backed league's golfers will play the full cycle of the Masters, the PGA Championship, the U.S. Open and the British Open, after months of reveling in a slimmer competition schedule.

If one of the players can break through and claim a green jacket or a claret jug or one of golf's other great prizes, LIV will have achieved its mightiest measure of vindication to date.

A major championship would not solve LIV's myriad troubles, including executive upheaval, exclusion from the Official World Golf Ranking and a product often drowned out by a PGA Tour loath to acknowledge that it has maybe taken a few recent cues from a new rival. Such a victory would certainly not extinguish the perception among critics that the league is tarnished by its association with Saudi Arabia.

But it could enchant fans and encourage at least some of them to keep tabs on a league that has, so far, largely been marked by bravado. It could intensify the pressure on the organizers of the major tournaments to find ways to keep LIV golfers more easily in the qualifying mix, and it would curb the notion that 54-hole tournaments are no way to prepare for golf's most pressurized tests.

"Anytime you win the Masters or the Open, that's usually a pretty big statement," Koepka, who won two PGA Championships and two US Opens before he switched to LIV, said before the circuit's pre-Masters competition near Orlando, Florida. Even PGA Tour stalwarts have begrudgingly acknowledged that a LIV victory in a major, especially an early one like the Masters, would unleash a shower of athletic attention on a league that has frequently drawn more headlines for its finances.

The league's best chance may come in Cameron Smith, whose thrilling Sunday showing at last year's British Open earned him his first major title less than two months before he moved to LIV. But Johnson, who won the 2020 Masters with the lowest score in the event's history, lurks. LIV will have five other past Masters champions in Augusta and an array of past major winners, such as Koepka and DeChambeau, looking to prove that they can contend again.

"At least for myself, it's going to be business as usual going out and playing," said Patrick Reed, who won the 2018 Masters. "Would I like to have LIV be up at the top? Of course. But really at the end of the day, it's all of us going in there and just trying to play the best golf we can and be ready for the four biggest weeks of the year."

Mickelson, who has six major tournament victories over his long career, the most of any LIV golfer, recently shrugged off the chatter about whether the league's players will be prepared as "tongue in cheek." Johnson has done much the same.

"Doesn't make a bit of difference, no sir, not to me," he said in an interview last month. "It's golf. You play how many ever days you can."

The results will bear out whether that talking point has any staying power, the evidence available for anyone to evaluate. LIV may not require an outright victory at Augusta, where PGA Tour stars such as Scottie Scheffler, Rory McIlroy and Jon Rahm are arriving after months of generally excellent outings. But if the league's players are well clear of the top of the leader board, the snickers will grow as much as some of the golfers' bank accounts have.

LIV executives and Saudi officials have known for years that for a league to prove viable, it would have to include the biggest names in golf. LIV has attracted some, but relevancy is fleeting, and the majors represent the league's best opportunity to dazzle people into interest in a new product. But if players such as Smith and Johnson are unable to re-create their past magic sooner than later, the league's prospects could diminish into a circuit of also-rans.

Celtics just planting seeds

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We're 8-3 and No. 1 in both offense and defense. We're doing a lot of good things. We just have to keep that going."

If the season ended today, the Celtics would play the winner of the Miami-Atlanta play-in game, with Game 1 starting the weekend of April 15 at TD Garden. The Heat, a longtime nemesis of the Celtics, have been fighting vigorously to avoid the play-in but they trail the Nets by two games. Brooklyn's magic number to clinch the sixth seed, and a likely first-round matchup with the 76ers, is 2.

The Heat, considered a dangerous team when engaged and healthy, lead the Hawks by two games. Miami would like to clinch the seventh seed to host a play-in game, but the Heat could still fall to eighth or ninth with a final-week freefall.

Miami plays at Detroit, at Philadelphia, at Washington before hosting Orlando in the season finale. The 76ers may have nothing to play for Thursday if they already have lost out on the No. 2 seed to Boston. The Celtics' magic number is 1.

The Hawks, who likely would be a more desired first-round opponent for the Celtics, end the season with games at Chicago, home against Washington and Philadelphia, and at Boston on the season's final day.

The Celtics have a role in play-in positioning. Boston plays consecutive home games against the Raptors on Wednesday and Friday. Toronto is tied with the Hawks at 39-39 but Atlanta holds the tiebreaker after winning the season series. If the Raptors, who play at Charlotte before the pair of games at Boston, then host Milwaukee, are able to finish with a better record than the Hawks, they would play in that 7-8 play-in game with a chance to play the Celtics in the first round.

The Raptors are a baffling team with talented physical players but have been prone to slumps and inconsistent play. But they are 16-9 in their past 25 games to reach .500. And like the Heat, the Raptors have a history with the Celtics. Boston will have to determine which players to rest and when during the final week.

But with their final three games against the Raptors and Hawks, the Celtics will have a say in who they play in the first round. There won't be what is considered an easy first-round opponent, but the good news for the Celtics is that it's highly unlikely to be the Bulls.

Chicago has beaten the Celtics twice this season, both blowout wins at United Center. The Bulls' magic number to clinch the 10th seed is 1, and the 10th seed can only advance to the eighth seed with two play-in victories. The Celtics are likely to avoid the Bulls in the first round.

The three most possible first-round opponents are Miami, Atlanta and Toronto and while the Celtics would be heavily favored in all three series, they don't want to avoid a grueling series against a team with the potential to pull off an upset.

"We've been a very good team the entire year," Mazzulla said. "It's more about getting ready to play."

The Celtics are listing guard/forward Jaylen Brown as questionable for Tuesday with lower back stiffness and Robert Williams has been declared out with left knee management. Boston comes right back to host Toronto on Wednesday, so sitting Williams could be a deliberate decision to split bigs since Al Horford hasn't played both games in a back-to-back all season.

Mazzulla said he will determine lineups game by game, especially considering the importance of the games to the opponent. "I want to win," he said.

And on the season's final day, the NBA has scheduled games for all Eastern Conference teams to begin at 1 p.m. to avoid any competitive advantage or last-minute lineup changes because of results from other games.

But the certainty is the Celtics will have to wait another 10 days to find out who comes to TD Garden to begin what they hope is a long and successful playoff run.

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d-Milwaukee	56	22	.718	—	W 1	31-8	33-16
p-Boston	54	24	.692	2	W 2	29-9	31-17
p-Philadelphia	51	27	.654	5	L 1	28-11	31-17
p-Cleveland	49	30	.620	7½	W 1	31-9	32-17
p-New York	46	33	.582	10½	W 4	23-17	31-19
Brooklyn	43	35	.551	13	W 3	22-16	28-21
Miami	41	37	.526	15	W 1	26-14	21-27
Atlanta	39	39	.500	17	W 1	23-16	24-24
Toronto	39	39	.500	17	W 1	26-14	24-24
Chicago	38	40	.487	18	W 2	21-18	26-23
Washington	34	44	.436	22	L 2	18-20	20-29
Orlando	34	44	.436	22	W 2	20-19	20-28
Indiana	34	45	.430	22½	L 1	20-19	23-26
Charlotte	26	53	.329	30½	L 2	13-26	14-36
Detroit	16	62	.205	40	L 9	9-30	7-41

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d-Denver	52	26	.667	—	W 1	33-7	33-15
d-Memphis	49	29	.628	3	L 1	34-6	29-20
p-Sacramento	47	31	.603	5	L 1	23-17	31-17
Phoenix	43	35	.551	9	W 5	26-12	28-20
LA Clippers	41	38	.519	11½	L 2	21-18	24-25
Golden State	41	38	.519	11½	L 1	32-8	27-22
LA Lakers	40	38	.513	12	W 3	21-18	24-24
New Orleans	40	38	.513	12	W 2	25-13	28-21
Minnesota	39	40	.494	13½	L 3	21-19	27-23
Okla. City	38	41	.481	14½	L 2	23-17	23-26
Dallas	37	42	.468	15½	L 3	22-16	27-23
Utah	36	42	.462	16	L 2	22-16	23-25
Portland	33	45	.423	19	W 1	17-23	23-25
San Antonio	20	58	.256	32	W 1	13-26	8-40
Houston	19	60	.241	33½	L 1	13-27	11-40

d — Clinched division; p — Clinched playoff berth

TUESDAY'S GAMES

BOSTON at Philadelphia	8	Denver at Houston	8
Miami at Detroit	7	Atlanta at Chicago	8
Cleveland at Orlando	7	Sacramento at New Orleans	8
Milwaukee at Washington	7	LA Lakers at Utah	9
Toronto at Charlotte	7	Okla. City at Golden St.	10
Minnesota at Brooklyn	7:30	San Antonio at Phoenix	10
Portland at Memphis	8		

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Toronto 128	at Charlotte 108	San Antonio 142	at Sacra. 134 (OT)
At Chicago 128	Memphis 107	LA Lakers 134	at Houston 109
Portland 107	at Minnesota 105	Phoenix 128	at Okla. City 118
At Brooklyn 111	Utah 110	At Cleveland 115	Indiana 105
At Orlando 128	Detroit 102	At Milwaukee 117	Philadelphia 104
At New York 118	Washington 109	At Denver 112	Golden St. 110
At Atlanta 132	Dallas 130 (OT)		

76ers thumbnails

- **When, where:** Tuesday, 8 p.m., at Wells Fargo Center, Philadelphia.
- **TV, radio:** TNT, NBCSB, WBZ-FM (98.5).
- **Scoring:** Joel Embiid 33.0, James Harden 21.1, Tyrese Maxey 20.6.
- **Rebounding:** Embiid 10.2, Harden 6.2, Tobias Harris 5.7.
- **Assists:** Harden 10.8, Embiid 4.2, Maxey 3.6.
- **Head to head:** This is the fourth and final meeting this season. The Celtics won the previous three.
- **Miscellany:** Embiid is the NBA's scoring leader . . . Philadelphia allows 110.6 points per game, third fewest in the NBA . . . Harden has recorded 10 or more assists in nine of his last 11 games . . . The 76ers are 28-11 at home . . . Maxey is averaging 26 points per game over his last five.

What's going on with divide between Belichick, Kraft?

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going to make anyway following a desultory 8-9 campaign.

Question either version of events and you end up in the crossfire like bystanders caught in a drug cartel shootout. Yours truly was taken to task by self-styled Patriots ombudsman Tom E. Curran of NBC Sports Boston for a column imploring Kraft to rein in his rubber-stamping of Belichick after four years (see: Brown, Antonio, 2019) of mistakes and misjudgments.

Curran wrote: "Kraft pulled the plug on Bill's nebulous 'Mystery Coordinator' operation by saying the team was hiring an offensive coordinator . . . In the past few years, Kraft's pointed out bad drafting, misspent money in free agency, Mac Jones being set up to fail, Matt Patricia getting put in a bad spot, and made it clear that the decision on Tom Brady was Bill's, not his."

That's all great. But that all happened *after the fact*, after the damage was done. How about proactively preventing the next possible blunder that Kraft will chastise Belichick for?

It's too much to ask that Kraft stop train-wreck decisions like anointing Patricia and Joe Judge as offensive architects? Even Belichick has a boss. Act like it.

But wait . . . according to another NBC Sports Boston personality, Michael Holley, the Hoodie is still the Alexander Haig of football in Foxborough. He's in control.

Here was Holley on Feb. 28 on "Boston Sports Tonight" on the idea that the scathing letter to season ticket-holders and the unprecedented press release announcing the return of ostensible Belichick successor Jerod Mayo represented an inflection point:

"Bill Belichick has gotten everything that he wanted even though the owner says he's going to be on your back," said Holley, who got the definitive under-the-Hoodie look at the team with his excellent book "Patriot Reign" in 2004. "He gets Billy O'Brien. He gets Adrian Klemm. Jerod Mayo is back. He gets the same things! Nothing has changed."

Nothing has changed or Kraft is cracking down?

Figuring out these diametrically opposed narratives makes for must-see TV, gents. It can be Lords of the Laptops meets Lord of the Flies.

Joking aside, the disparate stories are disconcerting because they're a reflection of a deeper disconnect. Winning is the ultimate deodorant. It covers up any scent of dissension. Remove it and everyone's nose gets out of joint.

The last time Kraft and a hallowed Patriots coach named Bill (Parcells) were proffering different versions of events through the press it didn't end well.

Both Kraft and Belichick should be smart enough to reach a compromise. While there are verbal rebukes and tweaks, Kraft is always careful to bring it back to, "I think Bill is exceptional at what he does, and I've given him the freedom to make the choices and do the things that need to be done."

Belichick is more bellicose. He has courted conflict with a future Hall of Fame quarterback and a deserving Hall of Fame owner. The coach is a devout believer in the chain of command as long as he's at the top of it. But owner always trumps coach.

Try finding another owner this accommodating to a soon-to-be 71-year-old coach that sports a 25-26 record the last three seasons, letting him hire his sons, employ his friends, and operate with total autonomy.

The days of Belichick running an unfettered, football fiefdom with little oversight need to be over. Some of these decisions demand consultation, review, and, yes, prior approval. It's not that complicated.

So, it's disappointing that when confronted with the Patricia debacle Kraft disavowed any ability to prevent it.

"In life, it's important to try to know what you don't know and then try to get the best people," he said in Phoenix. "I'm in no position to know going in whether that's the right thing."

Here's where that excuse and the clothesline of logic that the Kraft defense hangs upon falls apart faster than a reality show romance. The owner proclaims he had no ability to stop the Patricia/Judge fiasco but still wants all the credit for keeping Belichick and Brady together for 20 years.

From Curran: "He deserves credit for staying out of Bill's way and keeping Brady and Belichick together for the past decade."

But wait, didn't you say earlier that Kraft "made it clear that the decision on Tom Brady was Bill's, not his."

Paradox Alert.

We must give Kraft all the credit for keeping House Patriot on the throne and let him walk away unscathed from effectively choosing Belichick over Brady?

The team is rushing to send copies of that spurious rationale out to their season ticket-holders as an addendum to the Kraft hagiography "The Dynasty."

If Kraft has put Belichick on notice then how do we explain the promotion of sycophant Judge to assistant head coach and the center of Belichick's inner circle? This was allowed despite Judge undermining Jones and providing incorrect cross-position coaching points, according to a Boston Herald 2022 Patriots postmortem.

Like Patriots route runners crashing into each other on offense, the two versions of what's going on from Kraft and Belichick don't align properly.

It's time for Kraft and Belichick to get their stories straight, swallow their pride, and find a path back to contention for the Patriots that isn't simply addressing media grievances and dressing up the old way of doing business.

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Hockey

BRUINS NOTEBOOK

Montgomery: uplifting experience

He won NCAA title 30 years ago; is Cup next?

By Matt Porter
GLOBE STAFF

ST. LOUIS — Thirty years ago Monday, **Jim Montgomery** was at the height of college hockey.

The senior captain's third-period hat trick, set up by the wizardry of freshman hero **Paul Kariya**, gave the University of Maine a 5-4 win over Lake Superior State in the NCAA championship game. The Black Bears finished one of the great seasons in college hockey history with a 42-1-2 record.

It was an unforgettable time for those who experienced it. It resonates today, as the Bruins coach leads another group that always seems to find a way.

When the Bruins were battling the Penguins on Saturday, NESN showed a graphic. The Bruins' record when leading after two periods: 42-1-2.

"My Maine teammates texted it to me," Montgomery said in a text message Monday. "What a spiritual shot in the arm!"

David Pastrnak, looking like a supercharged Montgomery-Kariya hybrid, finished a hat trick in the third to give the Bruins a win in Pittsburgh. Now 44-1-2 when leading after two, they sit at 60-12-5 with five games to go in the regular season. They are three wins shy of setting an NHL record.

Thirty years after he lifted a trophy at Maine, Montgomery added via text, it would be a fine time to do it again.

Lohrei debut?

Minor league hockey is all for promotions, whether in the moving-up-in-the-world sense or get-'em-in-the-door sense. On Wednesday, the Providence Bruins will host College Night at Amica Mutual Pavilion.

Perfect time for **Mason Lohrei** to make his debut.

Fresh out of Ohio State, the Bruins' top defense prospect could take his first professional strides against the Hershey Bears.

In 2020, the Bruins were seen as reaching when they drafted Lohrei, a 6-foot-4-inch, 210-pound blue liner, late in the second round (58th overall). While Lohrei has to learn the pro game, he could make the Bruins look smart.

"Especially with the puck offensively, he's a gifted player," general manager **Don Sweeney** said in a recent NESN interview. "He's got a lot of poise and can really change the game. He's got a long reach. There will be an adjustment, systematically, but we're excited about his upside and development path."

Lohrei, who ranked sixth among NCAA defensemen in scoring (8-53–61 in 71 games) the last two years before leaving Ohio State, has been on what Sweeney called a "meteoric" rise since leading USHL defensemen in scoring (19-40–59 in 48 games) in 2020-21.

"Mason was a forward not too long ago, and moved back to play defense," Sweeney said. "His dad [**David**] is a coach, so he probably helped along the way . . . Obviously there's a big, long frame there, but a gifted player with a really good hockey sense."

It is probably unfair to compare Lohrei to **Charlie McAvoy**, who spent two years at Boston University and, like Lohrei, signed an amateur tryout deal with Providence. McAvoy was quickly called up to the Bruins, making his debut in the 2017 playoffs. It's hard to see a spot for Lohrei on arguably the deepest roster in the NHL.

Unless, of course, he forces management's hand.

"We've got to tamp down [expectations] a little bit," Sweeney said with a smile. "He has taken the first step."

More Mariners

The Bruins on Monday announced a two-year extension with the Maine Mariners, through the 2024-25 season. Like the Red Sox and Celtics, the Bruins have a developmental club in Portland.

The ECHL franchise, the namesake of the Bruins' AHL farm team (1987-92) that later relocated to Rhode Island, began its partnership with Boston in 2020.

That ended a run of suboptimal travel for players and management. Beginning in 1991, the Bruins had ECHL deals with teams in Johnstown, Pa.; Charlotte, N.C.; Greenville, S.C.; Reading, Pa.; Charleston, S.C.; and Gwinnett, Ga.

Pastrnak a star

Pastrnak (5-1–6 in four games) was named third star of the week by the NHL . . . The Bruins liked what they saw from **Oskar Steen**, who scored his first goal of the season in Sunday's win over the Blues, in a two-game sample size. He was returned to Providence on Monday but could be recalled as a Black Ace for the playoffs . . . Boston and Providence (40-16-8) have combined for 100 wins, the largest total in their three-decade partnership. Maine's total (38-25-3) makes it a tough NHL-AHL-ECHL mark to top . . . The Bruins are likely to have **Patrice Bergeron**, **David Krejci**, and McAvoy back for Thursday's game against Toronto . . . The Maple Leafs and Lightning are locked into a first-round playoff matchup, while the Bruins are waiting to see whether they'll face the Islanders, Penguins, Panthers or, with an improbable charge, the Sabres or Senators . . . The NHL announced six finalists for the Willie O'Ree Community Hero Award: **Jason McCrimmon** (Detroit), **Karen Ota-O'Brien** (Coconut Creek, Fla.), and **Marty Richardson** (Littleton, Colo.) are the US finalists, and **Derek Klein** (Shellbrook, Saskatchewan), **Dean Smith** (Halifax, Nova Scotia), and **Saroya Tinker** (Toronto) are the finalists in Canada. The award, named after the pioneering former Bruin, is given to someone who positively impacts their community, culture, or society through the sport of hockey.

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The relentlessness of Hathaway's hustle

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ty good profit in Providence in the summers of 2012 and '13.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on weekdays, Hathaway & Co. owned the corner of Westminster and Weybosset streets. They also worked a Jimmy Buffett concert, flea markets, and move-in weekend. They spent a week at the Fourth of July festival in Bristol, R.I., feeding crowds along the parade route and sleeping in their truck.

That was nothing compared to Hathaway's hustle in hockey.

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The Bruins' Garnet Hathaway (21) has fit in well since being acquired from the Capitals.

Persistence in prep school

Before his days at Brown, Hathaway was a student at Phillips Academy in Andover. In the fall of 2007, the boarding school's campus buzzed about the new hockey transfer, Chris Kreider, a junior from Boxford arriving from Masconomet High. He and Hathaway clicked instantly.

They remain tight, even though Kreider once scored a takeaway via drop pass in a game against Hathaway's Flames by yelling, "Hath! Hath!"

When the incident was mentioned to Hathaway last week, he became quiet.

"A relentless person and a relentless competitor," said Kreider, who scored a career-high 52 goals last year for the Rangers. "He figures out the path required to help the team win. It doesn't matter what sport. It could be tiddlywinks."

Hathaway was a soccer standout at Andover, a rangy striker who set a school record for goals (47). Kreider remembers pickup basketball games that "started really tame and devolved into absolute chaos."

On the ice, Hathaway's aggression overmatched his skill.

But he made the Andover weight room his corner of Westminster and Weybosset. Then-Bruins assistant general manager Don Sweeney, always plugged into prep hockey and formerly Andover's dean of admissions, took notice.

Kreider, on track to becoming a first-round draft pick, saw Hathaway pushing his limits. He pestered his family adviser to work with him.

Matt Keator wasn't that interested.

He only had so much time to work with prospects, and "honestly," Keator said, "he was not that good. He was OK. Kreider told me I had to take him."

The longer Keator looked, the more he saw traits akin to his highest-profile client, Bruins captain Zdeno Chara — chiefly the ability to work beyond his comfort zone. Hathaway's offseason trainer, Brian McDonough of Edge Performance Systems in Foxborough, once said he was "really good at suffering." When Kreider was drafted (19th overall by the Rangers) in 2009, Hathaway believed he could be next.

By the 2010 draft, Hathaway had scored enough as a junior and senior (33 goals and 66 points in 54 games) to become a borderline prospect, ranked 110th among North American skaters by NHL Central Scouting. Doors were shut.

Hathaway was "one day away," Keator said, from going to Bowdoin, a Division 3 school, before a spot opened up at Brown. Put it this way: There hasn't been a NESCAC player who reached the NHL since Guy Hebert, the former Anaheim goalie out of Hamilton College who retired in 2001.

Current University of New Hampshire coach Mike Souza, who recruited Hathaway to Brown as an assistant there, had work to do.

"He was a competitive but raw hockey player," Souza said. "He ran into everyone, and I mean coaches, teammates at practice. But he was going to run over someone on Friday night.

"He knew nothing but working his [butt] off, and it kept opening doors for him."

Hathaway didn't score much at Brown, but an opportunity his junior year (6-15—21 in 33 games) forced him to take a break from selling lobster rolls.

In July 2013, he competed at Bruins development camp in Wilmington — wearing No. 68, which had some cracking wise about Jaromir Jagr — and then took a Pittsburgh invite the following week.

"The hardest, most intense hockey I had found, in a 14-day span," Hathaway said. "I was exhausted at the end of it. I gave everything."

After Hathaway graduated in 2014, Calgary hockey operations head Brian Burke, regarded as a titan of truculence, offered him an AHL contract. That spring with the Abbotsford Heat, veteran tough guy Wade Brookbank broke his nose.

The next season for the Adirondack Flames, Hathaway had 19 goals and 36 points in 72 games, earning an NHL deal. He spent four years in Calgary, then another four with the Capitals, who traded him to Boston with Dmitry Orlov before the deadline as the Bruins loaded up for the playoffs.

The trade meant a lot

Hathaway has scored a few critical goals — he had the game-winner for Washington in a tight Feb. 11 game against the Bruins, and he scored twice in Game 2 of their playoff series in May 2021 — but his highlight reel isn't filled with offensive plays. It mostly shows opponents taking offense to him.

There are crushing body checks, like the shoulder-to-chest flattening of Connor McDavid in February of last season. The Capitals wound up with a power play after the Oilers swarmed Hathaway.

There are dust-ups like the one in November 2019, when he beat down the Ducks' Derek Grant, got up and had two of Grant's teammates, Nick Ritchie and Erik Gudbranson, at arm's length. Then-teammate Tom Wilson was on the bench, watching and smiling.

A player no one wanted has carved out a niche by being . . .

"I can't use the language I would use in the locker room," Bruins coach Jim Montgomery said. "He is a very valuable player because everybody on the other team is aware of him. They know he's on your bench. They know he's on the ice.

"He understands momentum. Like, if you watch him on the bench, there's not often times he's sitting down being quiet. He's talking to the other team. He's talking to his teammates. He's completely involved in the game.

"Not only how he disrupts what the other team's thinking about but how well he builds our team game is very underrated. He understands how we want to play, real quick. He understands our routes we want to run with the puck. He understands our routes on the forecheck.

"He's heavy. He's mean. He's a Bruin."

When he was traded to Boston, a common reaction was that it made sense. Ken Linseman, an onlooker at a hockey camp in Maine, once nicknamed a young Hathaway "Little Taz," after his rambunctious teammate Terry O'Reilly. Hathaway's style fits the mold.

"It's a huge compliment," Hathaway said. "I grew up going to the Garden and watching Bruins games and dreaming of one day being out on the ice. And it was a huge compliment being traded here. Being wanted by the best team in the league.

"They're the top team in the league and they went out and traded for two forwards and it's me and Bert [Tyler Bertuzzi]. That's how this team wanted to improve. That's what they want to add to be successful and continue to push to be better.

"So I hear that and it's amazing. Man, it just makes me want to go out and do it."

Undrafted, unwanted, and now, valued across the league. Not bad for someone who wasn't that good.

"But he always showed up on the scoresheet," Keator said. "I've loved working with him. Straightforward, honest, good guy. A better pro than a college player.

"No doubt he had to get to pro hockey to become as good as he did, because of the style of play. He can get away with being Garnet Hathaway in the pros. You can't do that in college."

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NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE

ATLANTIC	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Boston	77	60	12	5	125	56	286	166
Toronto	76	45	21	10	100	44	258	211
Tampa Bay	77	45	26	6	96	42	267	231
METROPOLITAN	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
Carolina	76	49	18	9	107	45	248	196
New Jersey	77	48	21	8	104	46	266	216
NY Rangers	77	45	21	11	101	41	261	207
WILD-CARD	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
NY Islanders	78	39	30	9	87	38	227	214
Pittsburgh	77	38	29	10	86	37	248	249
Florida	77	39	31	7	85	37	272	260
Buffalo	75	37	31	7	81	36	270	276
Ottawa	77	37	34	6	80	35	244	251
Detroit	76	34	33	9	77	31	226	252
Washington	77	34	34	9	77	32	240	243
Philadelphia	76	29	34	13	71	27	207	253
Montreal	77	30	41	6	66	25	219	284
Columbus	76	24	44	8	56	23	203	303

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	GP	W	L	OL	Pts.	ROW	GF	GA
Dallas	77	42	21	14	98	39	267	213
Minnesota	77	44	23	10	98	37	232	209
Colorado	75	45	24	6	96	39	252	207
PACIFIC	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
Vegas	77	48	22	7	103	43	257	220
Los Angeles	77	45	22	10	100	39	266	242
Edmonton	77	45	23	9	99	45	306	254
WILD-CARD	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**OL**	**Pts.**	**ROW**	**GF**	**GA**
*Seattle	75	41	26	8	90	41	259	240
Winnipeg	77	43	31	3	89	42	233	215
Calgary	77	36	26	15	87	34	247	240
Nashville	76	38	30	8	84	33	213	225
St. Louis	77	35	35	7	77	32	251	286
Vancouver	76	34	35	7	75	29	260	282
*Arizona	77	27	37	13	67	24	215	274
San Jose	76	22	39	15	59	21	223	291
Anaheim	77	23	44	10	56	20	195	317
Chicago	76	24	46	6	54	22	186	277

* — Not including late game; ROW — Regulation plus overtime wins

THE PLAYOFF FORMAT

Eight teams in each conference qualify. The top three teams from each division comprise the first six spots. The two remaining teams with the most points, regardless of division, qualify for the final two wild-card spots.

MONDAY'S RESULTS

Vegas 4	at Minnesota 3 (OT)	Arizona	at Seattle
At Dallas 5	Nashville 1		

TUESDAY'S GAMES

Ottawa at Carolina	7	Vegas at Nashville	8
Buffalo at Florida	7	Chicago at Calgary	9
Detroit at Montreal	7	Seattle at Vancouver	10
Pittsburgh at New Jersey	7	Edmonton at Los Angeles	10:30
Columbus at Toronto	7	Colorado at San Jose	10:30
Philadelphia at St. Louis	8		

SUNDAY'S RESULTS

Boston 4	at St. Louis 3 (SO)	Detroit 5	at Toronto 2
NY Rangers 5	at Washington 2	At Winnipeg 6	New Jersey 1
At Carolina 2	NY Islanders 1	At Calgary 5	Anaheim 4
At Columbus 4	Ottawa 3 (OT)	Los Angeles 4	at Vancouver 1
At Pittsburgh 4	Philadelphia 2		

GOLDEN KNIGHTS 4-3

Vegas	1	1	1	0	— 4
Minnesota	0	3	0	0	— 3

Golden Knights win shootout, 3-2

First period — 1. Vegas, Kolesar 8 (Hutton, Blueger), 9:59. Penalties — Steel, Min (hooking), 2:33. Howden, VGK (hi stick), 12:49. Merrill, Min (roughing), 12:49. Howden, VGK (roughing), 15:14. Eriksson Ek, Min, double minor (roughing), 15:14.

Second period — 2. Minnesota, Duhaime 9 (Reaves, Dewar), 3:36. 3. Minnesota, Klingberg 10 (Boldy, Zuccarello), 13:57 (pp). 4. Vegas, Dorofeyev 6 (Smith, Karlsson), 16:34. 5. Minnesota, Boldy 30 (Eriksson Ek, MJohansson), 19:19. Penalties — Karlsson, VGK (cross check), 4:33. Martinez, VGK (tripping), 13:23.

Third period — 6. Vegas, Dorofeyev 7 (Karlsson, Eichel), 19:25. Penalties — Spurgeon, Min (tripping), 11:23.

Overtime — None. Penalties — None.

Shootout — Vegas 3 (Eichel G, Marchessault NG, Roy NG, Dorofeyev G, Smith G). Minnesota 2 (Zuccarello NG, Gaudreau G, Boldy NG, Eriksson Ek G, Hartman NG)

Shots on goal — Vegas 8-9-8-1 — 26. Minnesota 12-11-8-2 — 33.

Power plays — Vegas 0-3; Minnesota 1-2.

Goalies — Vegas, Brossoit 4-0-3 (33 shots-30 saves). Minnesota, Gustavsson 20-9-6 (26 shots-23 saves).

Referees — Michael Markovic, Ghislain Hebert. Linesmen — Tyson Baker, Derek Nansen.

A — 19,176 (18,064). T — 2:42.

LEADERS

Not including yesterday's games

SCORING

	G	A	Pts.
McDavid, Edm	62	84	146
Draisaitl, Edm	50	70	120
Kucherov, TB	29	77	106
Pastrnak, Bos	56	47	103
Tkachuk, Fla	38	64	102
Robertson, Dal	42	55	97
Nugent-H0pkins, Ed	35	62	97
MacKinnon, Col	34	63	97
Pettersson, Van	36	60	96
Marner, Tor	28	67	95
Karlsson, SJ	22	73	95
Rantanen, Col	49	43	92
Hughes, NJ	40	50	90
Point, TB	48	41	89
Thompson, Buf	44	45	89
Crosby, Pit	31	57	88
Panarin, NYR	25	62	87
Stuetzle, Ott	37	47	84
Zibanejad, NYR	39	44	83
Nylander, Tor	37	45	82

GOALS

	GP	G
McDavid, Edm	77	62
Pastrnak, Bos	77	56
Draisaitl, Edm	75	50
Rantanen, Col	75	49
Point, TB	77	48
Thompson, Buf	72	44
Ovechkin, Was	71	42
Robertson, Dal	76	42
Hughes, NJ	73	40
Verhaeghe, Fla	76	40

STARS 5, PREDATORS 1

Nashville	0	0	1	—	1
Dallas	1	2	2	—	5

First period — 1. Dallas, Hintz 35 (Robertson, Pavelski), 4:21. Penalties — None.

Second period — 2. Dallas, Miller 5 (Faksa, Glendening), 12:31. 3. Dallas, Pavelski 25 (Heiskanen, Robertson), 16:07 (pp). Penalties — Benn, Dal (hooking), 0:39. Gravel, Nsh (tripping), 6:37. Leonard, Nsh (hooking), 15:39.

Third period — 4. Dallas, Robertson 43 (Heiskanen, Benn), 8:29 (pp). 5. Dallas, Seguin 20 (Robertson, Suter), 14:23. 6. Nashville, Foote 2, 15:10. Penalties — Barrie, Nsh (tripping), 3:37. Fabbro, Nsh (hi stick), 8:24. Jankowski, Nsh (roughing), 8:24. Miller, Dal (roughing), 8:24. Harley, Dal (interference), 16:38.

Shots on goal — Nashville 10-9-8 — 27. Dallas 10-6-9 — 25.

Power plays — Nashville 0-2; Dallas 2-4.

Goalies — Nashville, Saros 30-22-7 (25 shots-20 saves). Dallas, Wedgewood 8-8-3 (27 shots-26 saves).

Referees — Graham Skilliter, Gord Dwyer. Linesmen — CJ Murray, Libor Suchanek.

A — 18,056 (18,532). T — 2:31.

LEADERS

Not including yesterday's games

ASSISTS

	GP	A
McDavid, Edm	77	84
Kucherov, TB	77	77
Karlsson, SJ	76	73
Draisaitl, Edm	75	70
Marner, Tor	75	67
Hughes, Van	72	66
Tkachuk, Fla	74	64
MacKinnon, Col	64	63
Nugent-Hopkins, Edm	77	62
Panarin, NYR	77	62
Pettersson, Van	74	60
Crosby, Pit	77	57
Morrissey, Wpg	74	56
Fox, NYR	77	56
Heiskanen, Dal	73	55
Robertson, Dal	76	55
Malkin, Pit	77	55
Dahlin, Buf	71	53
Gaudreau, Cls	74	52
Barkov, Fla	63	51
Montour, Fla	75	51
Hamilton, NJ	77	51

PLUS/MINUS

	GP	+/-
Grzelcyk, Bos	70	+48
Lindholm, Bos	75	+46
Carlo, Bos	70	+39
Tatar, NJ	77	+37
Pavelski, Dal	76	+36
Toews, Col	73	+34
Bergeron, Bos	74	+33
Spurgeon, Min	75	+32
Pastrnak, Bos	77	+32
Robertson, Dal	76	+31
Matthews, Tor	69	+30
Hischier, NJ	76	+30
Lindell, Dal	76	+29
Lindgren, NYR	58	+28
McAvoy, Bos	63	+28

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Stars goaltender Scott Wedgewood made 26 saves in a 5-1 victory over the Predators.

Baseball

RED SOX NOTEBOOK

Duvall's pull paying off early

By Julian McWilliams
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Adam Duvall won American League Player of the Week after hitting .571 (8 for 14 with eight RBIs and two homers).

The Sox were high on Duvall's skill set working well at Fenway, mainly his power to the pull-side. When Duvall pulls the ball, he was a .398 hitter coming into Monday's contest with the Pirates, slugging .852. Of Duvall's 165 homers, 106 of them have come to the pull-side.

"It's always been my strength to pull the ball," Duvall said recently. "So it's not something that I shy away from. I think there's a lot of people who don't want to necessarily talk about pulling the ball because it can create some holes or different things. But for me, that's kind of always been my swing. That's always been my strength."

Duvall is a streaky hitter, which in part has to do with his pull-side approach. Still, he knows who he is as a hitter. He tried the standard approach of thinking up the middle to right field, but noticed his barrel dragged through the zone, resulting in weak fly balls the other way.

"It just didn't really work out," he said.

But when he thinks pull, his swing is more engaged and connected to the rest of his body.

"As a hitter you can never lose your strength," he said. "Because then you're kind of searching for who you are. I just embrace it."

Yoshida goes yard

Masataka Yoshida hit his first homer of his big league career in the 7-6 loss to the Pirates, scalding a 96 mile-per-hour pitch at the top of the zone. The two-run shot came in the first inning on a 1-and-0 pitch, leaving his bat at 105 m.p.h., landing in the Green Monster seats.

"All my teammates were so excited for me," Yoshida said through interpreter **Keiichiro Yakabayshi**. "I was happy."

Leading off

During spring training, the Red Sox said the leadoff spot would be based on matchups. It's a spot in the order where manager **Alex Cora** preferred structure, but one they believed they could mix and match. Yet just three games into the season, the team will move forward with **Alex Verdugo** as the mainstay at leadoff.

"Yeah, until it doesn't work," Cora joked. "I talked to him in spring training and for where we are right now with everybody, he's the guy."

Verdugo has gotten off to an encouraging start, batting .357/.400/.714 with one homer in 15 plate appearances entering Monday. Prior to the season, the Sox challenged Verdugo to take that next leap as a player. Verdugo responded by entering camp in better shape, vowing that he would have a bounce-back year.

"He looks good," Cora said. "He's moving well, putting the ball in play. We challenged him to be the leadoff guy. We challenged him in the offseason. We challenged him during spring training and now you're the leadoff guy of this group."

As for Cora's structure, he now has that, too, after the team spent much of the last four years tinkering at that spot.

It helps **Rafael Devers** likes Verdugo hitting in front of him.

On the mend

James Paxton (hamstring) and **Brayan Bello** (forearm) traveled back to Fort Myers, Fla., where they will pitch in an extended spring training game. Paxton will pitch Tuesday followed by Bello on Wednesday. **Garrett Whitlock** (hip) will pitch on Opening Day for Double A Portland and could join the big league club after that outing, though that's still to be determined . . . Monday's NCAA men's basketball championship game was a showdown of Sox coaches' alma maters: hitting coach **Pete Fatse** played three seasons at UConn (2007-09) and assistant hitting coach **Ben Rosenthal** played two seasons at San Diego State (2000-01).

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Pirates 7, Red Sox 6

At Fenway Park

PITTSBURGH	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Cruz ss	5	0	1	0	0	2	.333
Reynolds cf	5	3	3	2	0	1	.353
Choi dh	3	1	1	0	0	2	.125
a-McCtchn ph-dh	1	0	0	0	0	1	.222
Santana 1b	3	0	0	0	1	1	.133
Hayes 3b	4	2	1	1	0	0	.125
Smith-Njigba lf	2	0	1	2	1	0	.250
b-Joe ph-lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	.375
Suwinski rf	3	0	1	1	1	0	.143
Castro 2b	4	0	0	0	0	2	.125
Delay c	4	1	1	1	0	1	.250
Totals	**35**	**7**	**9**	**7**	**3**	**10**	

BOSTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Verdugo rf	5	1	3	0	0	1	.421
Devers 3b	4	1	1	1	1	1	.421
Turner dh	4	1	0	0	1	1	.313
c-Chang pr-dh	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Yoshida lf	4	1	1	2	1	0	.294
Duvall cf	3	1	2	1	2	0	.588
Casas 1b	5	1	1	2	0	3	.182
Arroyo 2b	3	0	0	0	1	0	.083
d-Tapia ph	1	0	1	0	0	0	.500
Hernández ss	4	0	0	0	1	2	.231
Wong c	4	0	1	0	0	1	.100
e-Refsnyder ph	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200
Totals	**38**	**6**	**10**	**6**	**7**	**10**	

Pittsburgh	3	1	1	2	0	0	0	**7**	**9**	**1**
Boston	5	0	0	0	1	1	0	**6**	**10**	**1**

a-struck out for Choi in 7th, b-grounded out for Smith-Njigba in 8th, c-ran for Turner in 8th, d-singled for Arroyo in 9th, e-struck out for Wong in 9th. **E**—Reynolds (1), Hernández (2). **LOB**—Pittsburgh 4, Boston 12. **2B**—Cruz (1), Smith-Njigba (1), Wong (1). **HR**—Reynolds 2 (3), off Crawford, off Crawford, Delay (1), off Crawford, Devers (1), off Oviedo, Yoshida (1), off Oviedo, Casas (1), off Oviedo. **Runners left in scoring position**—Pittsburgh 3 (Reynolds, Castro 2), Boston 7 (Turner 2, Duvall 2, Casas, Wong 2). **RISP**—Pittsburgh 3 for 7, Boston 2 for 9. **Runners moved up**—Smith-Njigba, Devers, Yoshida. **GIDP**—Hayes. **DP**—Boston 2 (Verdugo, Casas), (Hernández, Casas).

Pittsburgh	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Oviedo	4⅔	6	5	4	4	4	94	7.71
Moreta	⅓	0	0	0	1	1	10	0.00
Zastryzny	⅔	1	1	1	1	2	19	3.86
Underwd W 1-0	1⅓	1	0	0	0	1	19	0.00
Holderman	1	1	0	0	1	0	19	0.00
Bednar S 2	1	1	0	0	0	2	12	0.00

Boston	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	NP	ERA
Crawford L 0-1	4	8	7	7	2	6	93	15.75
Kelly	2	1	0	0	1	2	30	2.45
Bleier	1	0	0	0	0	1	12	9.00
Ort	1	0	0	0	0	0	14	4.50
Brasier	1	0	0	0	0	1	12	13.50

Inherited runners-scored—Moreta 2-0, Underwood Jr. 2-1. **IBB**—off Oviedo (Devers). **WP**—Oviedo 2. **Umpires**—Home, Adam Beck; First, Dan Iassogna; Second, Scott Barry; Third, Clint Vondrak. **T**—2:57. **A**—28,369 (37,755).

HOW THE RUNS SCORED

FIRST INNING

PIRATES — Cruz flied out to center fielder Duvall. Reynolds singled to center. Choi singled to left, Reynolds to second. Santana lined out to first baseman Casas. Hayes singled to right, Reynolds scored, Choi to third. Smith-Njigba doubled to left, Choi scored, Hayes scored. Suwinski walked on a full count. Castro struck out.

RED SOX — Verdugo flied out to left fielder Smith-Njigba. Devers homered to center. Turner safe at second on fielding error by center fielder Reynolds. Yoshida homered to left,Turner scored. Duvall walked on a full count. Casas homered to right, Duvall scored. Arroyo flied out to left fielder Smith-Njigba. Hernández struck out.

SECOND INNING

PIRATES — Delay popped out to second baseman Arroyo. Cruz struck out. Reynolds homered to right on a 1-1 count. Choi struck out.

THIRD INNING

PIRATES — Santana walked on a full count. Hayes grounded into fielder's choice, second baseman Arroyo to shortstop Hernández, Santana out. Smith-Njigba grounded out, catcher Wong to first baseman Casas, Hayes to second. Suwinski singled to right, Hayes scored. Suwinski to second. Castro flied out to center fielder Duvall.

FOURTH INNING

PIRATES — Delay homered to left. Cruz struck out. Reynolds homered to right. Choi struck out. Santana struck out.

SIXTH INNING

RED SOX — Verdugo singled to left. Devers struck out. Turner struck out. Yoshida walked on a full count, Verdugo to second. Underwood Jr. pitching. Duvall singled to left, Verdugo scored, Yoshida to second. Casas struck out.

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Triston Casas (right) was having a blast after his first-inning homer, the Red Sox' third in a high-scoring opening frame.

ALEX SPEIER

ON BASEBALL

Early schedule theirs for the taking

Four games. Two wins, two losses. It is the beginning of the beginning of the baseball season, too early to draw any conclusions, yet not too early for puzzled first impressions.

Already the team has scored 33 runs — fifth most in team history through four contests, and the most since the 2003 club kicked off a wild run to the ALCS with 34 runs. The team's eight homers are tied for second most in team history through the first four contests.

The team's quick-strike capability again came to (blinking LED) light on Monday against the Pirates. After the Sox fell behind, 3-0, in the top of the first, they exploded for three homers in the bottom of the inning to take a 5-3 lead.

Yet for the second time this year, lineup pyrotechnics proved inadequate to overcome a woeful pitching performance. Sox starter Kutter Crawford allowed seven runs over four innings, leading to a 7-6 Sox loss to the Pirates at Fenway Park that dropped the team to 2-2.

"I thought I was pretty awful," Crawford said. "If I do my part tonight, we win that game easily. All the runs came off me. The offense did great. The bullpen did great. That loss is all on me."

The two defeats — both by one run — have felt like missed opportunities, particularly for a Sox team that throughout the spring acknowledged the urgency of a strong start. Manager Alex Cora has spoken frequently about the value of a burst out of the gates, offering his view that the ultra-competitive AL East has been won in recent years by teams that started quickly.

"If you start 17-2, that's a good start, and it puts you in a good spot. You separate yourself from the rest of them," he said, referencing his 2018 team's incredible opening leg of the season. "And then after that, you just grind through [the season]."

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Shortstop Kiké Hernández went all out for a first-inning liner from Bryan Reynolds, but couldn't make the grab.

Not every AL East winner gets to coast on the strength of an early margin for error. The 2021 Rays, for instance, were a game below .500 at the end of April but still claimed the AL East.

Still, the vast majority of teams that take the division have strong Aprils, and it's been almost two decades since a team (the 2005 Yankees, 10-17 at the end of April) won the division after concluding April with at least two more losses than wins.

A solid first month is not a guarantee of anything but a bad one often spells doom. Since 2003, the Red Sox have reached the playoffs 11 times. In each of those 11 seasons, they had at least a .522 winning percentage at the end of April.

By contrast, the Sox posted a .500 record or worse at the end of April six times during that span. They missed the playoffs in all six and landed in last three times. And while the pandemic-compressed 2020 season did not feature an April, the Sox' 3-8 start was a harbinger of a last-place finish to come.

The Sox have a season-opening opportunity to establish themselves. The team's first nine games come against the Orioles, Pirates, and Tigers, all projected to finish at or near the bottom of their divisions. Once the Sox secured a series victory over the Orioles, it felt like the Pirates and Tigers might offer passage to cruising altitude at the start of the season. Yet the team's pitching — admittedly, at a time when the ball is flying at Fenway Park in a fashion almost never seen at the start of the season — has been woeful.

Already, the Sox have allowed 30 runs through four games, tied for the sixth-most ever allowed by the Sox to this point in the season. No lead in the early stages has been safe — either in the hands of the Sox or their opponents.

And so it was on Monday, with Crawford putting the team in a 3-0 hole in the first inning and then proving unable to maintain the 5-3 advantage he'd been given in the bottom half. The Sox couldn't quite complete another comeback, and they were left to lament a game that could have been theirs.

"Of course it's important to start winning games so when it's later in the season, we don't regret these kind of games," Rafael Devers said through translator Carlos Villoria Benítez. "I know that everybody who wins games is happy. So that's why we want to win. We want to be happy and we want to keep winning games."

Happiness will require better pitching than what they've gotten. Of course, the pitching staff as currently constructed is more of a placeholder than fixture.

The next three days will feature starts by rehabbing starters James Paxton (Tuesday) and Brayan Bello (Wednesday) in Fort Myers, Fla., as well as a likely final tuneup for the regular season by Garrett Whitlock on Thursday in Double A Portland. Whitlock should be in the rotation in roughly a week, with Bello not far behind him, at which point it will be easier to see the true shape of the 2023 Red Sox.

In the meantime, the Sox will hope to accumulate wins by any means necessary.

"Winning ugly counts at this level. It counts. We won ugly in [the championship season of] '18, a lot of them. And in '21 [on the way to the ALCS], too," said Cora. "So, [just] find ways to win. That's the way I look at it."

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Crawford rocked as Sox drop a slugfest

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do. Later in the inning, Masataka Yoshida pummeled a two-run shot at the top of the zone for his first big league homer. Triston Casas added a two-run shot, putting the Sox ahead, 5-3.

But in the second, Bryan Reynolds uncorked a solo shot, and Jack Suwinski tied the game in the third on an RBI single. Pittsburgh took a 7-5 lead in the fourth when both Jason Delay and Reynolds launched solo shots, Reynolds notching his second homer of the game.

The three homers allowed by Crawford came when he was behind in the count. Sox starters have allowed 10 homers, the most in baseball through their first four contests.

Reliever Zack Kelly took over for Crawford in the fifth, registering two scoreless innings.

Adam Duvall brought the Red Sox closer with an RBI single in the sixth.

The Red Sox had a chance in the eighth after Alex Verdugo reached on a single to left followed by a Justin Turner one-out walk. Yoshida grounded to first, advancing the runners to second and third. The Sox had their hottest hitter at the plate in Duvall, but he grounded to shortstop, ending the threat.

After putting up a five-spot in the first, the Sox scored just one run over the remaining eight innings.

"We did a good job coming back, right?" manager Alex Cora said. "We just didn't stop the opposition. We didn't do that. The ball was flying and we just didn't make pitches. Reynolds put two good swings on the ball, doing what he usually does, and at one point, we've got to pitch better."

Reynolds recorded his fourth career multi-homer game, finishing the night 3 for 5. Crawford added that Reynolds does an excellent job of covering the zone, and the righthander felt he wasn't aggressive enough in his attack against the Pirates outfielder, flashing his four-seam fastball just twice in three at-bats.

"I pitched him pretty similarly all three at-bats," Crawford said. "I don't think I use my fastball enough against him. So I kind of got a little predictable. And I just didn't execute pitches when I needed to. You combine [predictability] and not executing pitches and you can see what happened."

Red Sox starter Nick Pivetta will take his turn on the hill Tuesday before the rotation turns back over to Corey Kluber for the series finale Wednesday. The Sox bats have been electric, exhibiting a lineup that has remained a tough out with the capability of coming through in key moments.

But they couldn't save the starting pitching woes. Not this time.

"If I do my part tonight," Crawford said, "we win that game easily."

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Kiké Hernández avoided the Pirates' Carlos Santana at second but couldn't turn a double play in the third inning.

Baseball

AL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
Tampa Bay	4	0	1.000	—	0-0	4-0	W 4
New York	3	1	.750	1	0-0	3-1	W 2
Baltimore	2	2	.500	2	1-2	2-2	W 1
Boston	2	2	.500	2	2-1	2-2	L 1
Toronto	1	3	.250	3	0-0	1-3	L 3
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Minnesota	4	0	1.000	—	3-0	4-0	W 4
*Cleveland	3	1	.750	1	0-0	3-1	W 3
Chicago	2	3	.400	2½	0-0	2-3	L 1
Detroit	1	3	.250	3	0-0	1-3	W 1
Kansas City	1	3	.250	3	0-3	1-3	W 1
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Texas	3	1	.750	—	0-0	3-1	L 1
*Los Angeles	2	1	.667	½	2-1	2-1	W 2
Houston	2	3	.400	1½	0-0	2-3	L 2
*Oakland	1	2	.333	1½	1-2	1-2	L 2
*Seattle	1	3	.250	2	0-0	1-3	L 3

NL

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB	Div.	Last 10	Streak
Atlanta	3	1	.750	—	2-1	3-1	W 1
New York	3	2	.600	½	3-1	3-2	L 1
Washington	1	3	.250	2	1-2	1-3	L 1
Miami	1	4	.200	2½	1-3	1-4	L 3
Philadelphia	0	4	.000	3	0-0	0-4	L 4
CENTRAL	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
Cincinnati	3	1	.750	—	3-1	3-1	W 3
Milwaukee	3	1	.750	—	2-1	3-1	W 3
Pittsburgh	2	2	.500	1	1-2	2-2	W 1
St. Louis	2	2	.500	1	0-0	2-2	L 1
Chicago	1	3	.250	2	1-3	1-3	L 3
WEST	**W**	**L**	**Pct.**	**GB**	**Div.**	**Last 10**	**Streak**
*Arizona	2	2	.500	—	2-2	2-2	W 1
*Colorado	2	2	.500	—	2-2	2-2	L 2
*Los Angeles	2	2	.500	—	2-2	2-2	L 1
*San Diego	2	2	.500	—	2-2	2-2	W 2
San Francisco	2	2	.500	—	0-0	2-2	W 1

* — Not including late game

RESULTS

MONDAY

Pittsburgh 7	at Boston 6	Atlanta 8	at St. Louis 4
At Milwaukee 10	NY Mets 0	Baltimore 2	at Texas 0
San Francisco 12	at Chi. White Sox 3	Detroit 7 (11 inn.)	at Houston 6
At Cincinnati 7	Chi. Cubs 6	Arizona	at San Diego
Minnesota 11	at Miami 1	Cleveland	at Oakland
At NY Yankees 8	Philadelphia 1	LA Angels	at Seattle
Tampa Bay 6	at Washington 2	Colorado	at LA Dodgers
At Kansas City 9	Toronto 5		

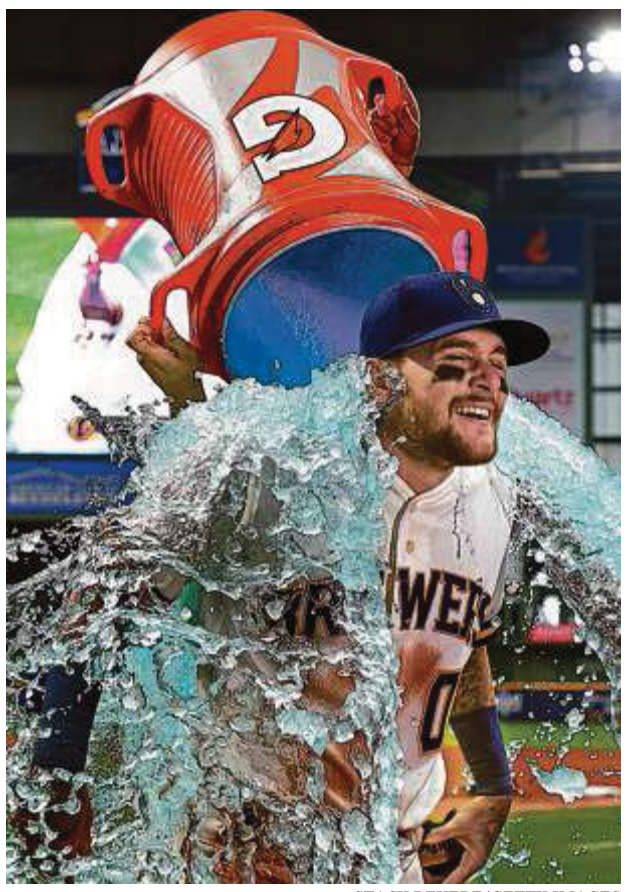
SUNDAY

At Boston 9	Baltimore 5	At St. Louis 9	Toronto 4
At Tampa Bay 5	Detroit 1	Milwaukee 9	at Chi. Cubs 5
At Washington 4	Atlanta 1	LA Angels 6	at Oakland 0
At NY Yankees 6	San Francisco 0	Arizona 2	at LA Dodgers 1
NY Mets 5	at Miami 1	Cleveland 6 (10 inn.)	at Seattle 5
At Cincinnati 3	Pittsburgh 1	At San Diego 3	Colorado 1
Chi. White Sox 6	at Houston 3	At Texas 2	Philadelphia 1
Minnesota 7	at Kansas City 4		

TUESDAY'S GAMES

	Odds	2023 W-L	2023 ERA	Team rec.	2022 vs. opp W-L	2022 vs. opp IP	2022 vs. opp ERA
PITTSBURGH AT BOSTON, 7:10 p.m.							
Contreras (R)	+130	—	—	0-0	0-1	6.0	6.00
Pivetta (R)	-150	—	—	0-0	1-0	7.0	0.00
ARIZONA AT SAN DIEGO, 4:10 p.m.							
Gallen (R)	+125	0-1	9.64	0-1	0-1	16.1	4.96
Darvish (R)	-145	—	—	0-0	4-0	32.0	1.97
CHI. CUBS AT CINCINNATI, 6:40 p.m.							
Wesneski (R)	-130	—	—	0-0	1-1	11.0	0.82
Cessa (R)	+110	—	—	0-0	0-0	14.0	5.14
MINNESOTA AT MIAMI, 6:40 p.m.							
Maeda (R)	+125	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
Alcantara (R)	-145	0-0	4.76	0-1	0-0	0.0	0.00
PHILADELPHIA AT NY YANKEES, 7:05 p.m.							
Strahm (L)	+130	0-0	0.00	0-0	0-1	5.2	1.59
Germán (R)	-150	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
TAMPA BAY AT WASHINGTON, 7:05 p.m.							
Fleming (L)	-165	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
Kuhl (R)	+140	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
NY METS AT MILWAUKEE, 7:40 p.m.							
Scherzer (R)	-160	1-0	4.50	1-0	1-0	6.0	0.00
Miley (L)	+135	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
TORONTO AT KANSAS CITY, 7:40 p.m.							
Kikuchi (L)	-160	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.2	40.50
Bubic (L)	+135	—	—	0-0	0-0	7.0	0.00
ATLANTA AT ST. LOUIS, 7:45 p.m.							
Dodd (L)	+115	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
Matz (L)	-135	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
BALTIMORE AT TEXAS, 8:05 p.m.							
Wells (R)	+120	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
Heaney (L)	-140	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
DETROIT AT HOUSTON, 8:10 p.m.							
Manning (R)	+230	—	—	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00
Valdez (L)	-280	0-0	0.00	0-1	1-0	15.0	1.20
CLEVELAND AT OAKLAND, 9:40 p.m.							
Bieber (R)	-210	0-0	0.00	0-1	0-0	7.0	1.29
Sears (L)	+175	—	—	0-0	0-0	2.2	3.38
LA ANGELS AT SEATTLE, 9:40 p.m.							
Suarez (L)	+135	—	—	0-0	1-2	20.2	3.92
Castillo (R)	-160	0-0	0.00	1-0	0-0	6.0	3.00
COLORADO AT LA DODGERS, 10:10 p.m.							
Márquez (R)	+215	1-0	3.00	1-0	1-3	28.1	4.76
Urías (L)	-265	1-0	3.00	1-0	3-1	25.1	3.91

Team rec. — Record in games started by pitcher this season



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There was no cooling off Brice Turang, who hit a grand slam for his first home run, capping a seven-run fifth as the Brewers routed the Mets, 10-0.

NOTEBOOK

New rules going like clock work

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Major League Baseball's new rules are working as hoped through the first four days of the season.

The average game time has dropped by 30 minutes, stolen bases have doubled, and batting average has increased by 16 percentage points compared with last year's opening weekend.

Games averaged 2 hours and 38 minutes through Sunday with the new pitch clock, down from 3:08 for the first four days of the 2022 season and a 3:04 final average.

In the first year of restrictions on defensive shifts, the .246 batting average for nine-inning games was up from .230 over the first four days last year, when many games were played in cold and wet weather. Lefthanded batting average increased to .232 from .229 in last year's first four days and righthanded average went up to .254 from .230.

"We are extremely pleased with the early returns," commissioner **Rob Manfred** said Monday. "Fan reaction has been positive to the brisker pace with more action. And players have made a great adjustment to the changes."

Larger bases have cut the distance between bags by 4½ inches, and stolen bases rose to an average of 1.4 per game from 0.6.

Success rate on steal attempts rose to 85 percent from 67.4 percent.

Rangers' Smith hit in face by pitch

Texas outfielder **Josh Smith** was taken to a hospital after being hit in his face by a pitch in the Rangers' 2-0 loss against the Orioles at Arlington, Texas.

Smith, a lefthanded hitter, was struck on the right side of his face in the third inning by a 1-0 slider from reliever **Danny Coulombo**. Smith spun back to his left and dropped to the dirt in the batter's box, breaking his fall with his left hand while holding his face with his right hand.

The Rangers said Smith, who started in left field, went to a hospital for testing on his face and jaw.

Coulombo was pitching because Orioles starter **Kyle Bradish** left after being hit on his right foot by a line drive in the second inning. Baltimore announced Bradish has a bruised foot.

Jonah Heim lined a 2-and-2 changeup back to the mound — the exit velocity measured at 104 m.p.h. — with runners on first and second and one out. The ball struck Bradish on the outside of the foot as he was completing his follow-through. The ball rolled to first baseman **Ryan Mountcastle**, who tagged the base with the runners moving up.

Rays are 4-0 for the first time

Luke Raley homered twice, **Drew Rasmussen** pitched six shutout innings and the Rays defeated the Nationals, 6-2, at Washington for the first 4-0 start in team history.

Isaac Paredes had a homer and a single for the Rays, who have outscored opponents, 27-5, in four games.

Tampa Bay had been 3-0 in 2002, 2012 and last year.

Rasmussen (1-0) allowed two singles and didn't walk a batter, striking out seven. He threw 50 of 66 pitches for strikes.

Villar hits two of Giants' seven HRs

David Villar hit two of San Francisco's seven home runs, **Anthony DeSclafani** tossed three-hit ball over six scoreless innings and the Giants pounded the White Sox, 12-3, in Chicago.

Villar hit a solo homer in the fifth and a grand slam in the ninth. **Joc Pederson**, **Michael Conforto**, **Thairo Estrada**, **Mike Yastrzemski**, and **Bryce Johnson** also went deep for San Francisco, which hit its most home runs since July 2, 2002, at Colorado. The team record of eight was set at Milwaukee on April 30, 1961, when **Willie Mays** hit four.

Brewers' Turang's first HR is grand

Brice Turang kept expecting the jitters as he played his first major-league home game. They never arrived. Turang hit a grand slam for his first major league home run, capping a seven-run fifth inning as the new-look Brewers opened their home schedule by routing the Mets, 10-0.

Shut out in their first 16 innings, the Brewers have scored 22 runs in their last 20 innings.

Rendon to drop suspension appeal

Angels third baseman **Anthony Rendon** said he is dropping his appeal after his suspension was reduced to four games by Major League Baseball for his altercation with a fan last week.

Rendon spoke before the Angels opened a series in Seattle and said the league agreed to reduce his suspension from five games to four.

Rendon grabbed a fan by the shirt through the bleacher guardrails after Thursday night's 2-1 loss at Oakland. Rendon looks to have grabbed the fan's shirt near his chest through the bars of the railing and exchanged words with him before appearing to take a swipe at the bill of the man's ballcap and walking into the tunnel.

Hendriks starts final chemo round

White Sox closer **Liam Hendriks** said he was beginning his final round of chemotherapy on Monday.

Hendriks, battling non-Hodgkin lymphoma, made the announcement in an eight-second video shown prior to Chicago's home opener against the Giants.

"Happy opening day, Sox fans. Just want to let you know I'm starting my last round of chemo today so I'll see you guys on the South Side soon. Play ball," he said.

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Anthony Rizzo homered in a win over the Phillies and the good times kept rolling for the 3-1 Yankees.

REDS 7, CUBS 6

CHI. CUBS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Hoerner 2b	5	1	1	0	0	2	.222
Swanson ss	5	2	3	0	0	1	.588
Happ lf	4	1	1	0	1	1	.333
Bellinger cf	4	1	1	3	1	0	.067
Mancini rf	4	0	1	1	0	0	.214
Wisdom 3b	4	1	1	0	0	1	.273
Hosmer 1b	5	0	3	2	0	1	.250
Madrigal pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	.167
Ríos dh	3	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Torrens ph-dh	0	0	0	0	1	0	.250
Mastrobn ph-dh	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Barnhart c	3	0	1	0	0	0	.200
Gomes ph-c	1	0	0	0	0	1	.125
Totals	**39**	**6**	**12**	**6**	**3**	**8**	

CINCINNATI	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
India 2b	3	1	0	1	1	0	.357
Steer 3b	3	1	2	0	1	0	.333
Myers 1b-rf	4	1	1	1	0	0	.143
Stephenson dh	4	1	2	0	0	1	.400
Newman ss	4	0	1	2	0	0	.273
Fairchild lf	3	1	0	0	0	2	.000
Maile c	4	0	0	0	0	1	.000
Barrero cf	1	0	1	0	0	0	.125
Vosler pr-1b	3	2	1	3	0	2	.364
Friedl rf-cf	4	0	2	0	0	0	.267
Totals	**33**	**7**	**10**	**7**	**2**	**6**	

Chi. Cubs.....300 030 000 — 6 12 1
Cincinnati.....310 030 00x — 7 10 1

E—Smyly (1), Maile (1). **LOB**—Chi. Cubs 11, Cincinnati 6. **2B**—Swanson (2), Happ (1), Hosmer (1), Steer (1). **3B**—Friedl (1). **HR**—Bellinger (1), off Overton, Vosler (2), off Smyly. **DP**—Chi. Cubs 1.

Chi. Cubs	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Smyly L 0-1	4⅔	9	7	6	2	3	11.57
Thompson	3⅓	1	0	0	0	3	0.00

Cincinnati	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Overton	4	8	5	5	1	5	11.25
Gibaut	⅔	0	1	1	0	0	3.38
AYoung W 1-0	⅓	1	0	0	0	1	0.00
Cruz	1⅓	1	0	0	1	0	5.40
Sanmartin	⅔	0	0	0	1	2	0.00
Farmer	1	0	0	0	0	0	2.45
Law S 1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0.00

Overton pitched to 2 batters in the 5th. **Inherited runners-scored**—Gibaut 2-1, AYoung 2-2, Sanmartin 2-0. **HBP**—by Smyly (Fairchild, India), by Gibaut (Wisdom). **Catchers interference**—Maile. **NP**—Smyly 93, Thompson 32, Overton 80, Gibaut 7, AYoung 6, Cruz 31, Sanmartin 11, Farmer 13, Law 11. **Umpires**—Home, Bill Miller; First, Rob Drake; Second, Chad Whitson; Third, Roberto Ortiz. **T**—2:35. **A**—11,941 (45,814).

TWINS 11, MARLINS 1

MINNESOTA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Kepler rf	3	1	2	1	0	0	.125
Farmer pr-2b-ss	2	1	0	0	0	0	.143
Correa ss	4	1	2	2	0	0	.235
Castro lf	1	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Buxton dh	3	1	0	0	1	1	.375
Jeffers ph-dh	1	1	1	1	0	0	.500
Larnach lf-rf	5	2	2	3	0	0	.438
Miranda 3b	3	1	1	1	1	0	.214
Gordon 2b-lf-2b	4	1	1	0	0	0	.100
Gallo 1b	3	1	1	3	0	0	.308
Solano 1b	1	0	0	0	0	1	.333
Vázquez c	2	1	0	0	2	0	.444
Taylor cf	4	0	0	0	0	1	.143
Totals	**36**	**11**	**10**	**11**	**4**	**3**	

MIAMI	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Arraez 2b	5	0	2	1	0	0	.524
Soler dh	4	0	1	0	0	1	.250
Fortes c	0	0	0	0	0	0	.429
Cooper 1b	3	0	1	0	0	2	.375
Gurriel 1b	1	0	1	0	0	0	.375
Chisholm Jr. cf	4	0	1	0	0	2	.176
García rf	4	0	2	0	0	1	.154
Segura 3b	4	0	0	0	0	1	.067
De La Cruz lf	4	1	3	0	0	1	.273
Stallings c-p	3	0	0	0	1	1	.125
Berti ss	4	0	1	0	0	2	.167
Totals	**36**	**1**	**12**	**1**	**1**	**11**	

Minnesota.....132 200 201 — 11 10 0
Miami.....000 010 000 — 1 12 1

E—Cooper (1). **LOB**—Minnesota 2, Miami 9. **2B**—Correa (1), Soler (3), De La Cruz (1). **3B**—Larnach (1). **HR**—Kepler (1), off Cueto, Jeffers (1), off Stallings, Larnach (1), off Nardi, Gallo (3), off Cueto. **DP**—Minnesota 2; Miami 1.

Minnesota	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Mahle W 1-0	5	5	1	1	1	7	1.80
Alcala	2	2	0	0	0	3	0.00
Sands	2	5	0	0	0	1	0.00

Miami	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Cueto L 0-1	1	3	4	4	1	0	36.00
Lindgren	5	4	4	4	3	0	7.20
Nardi	1	2	2	2	0	1	15.43
Chargois	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.00
Stallings	1	1	1	1	0	0	9.00

Cueto pitched to 3 batters in the 2nd. **NP**—Mahle 83, Alcala 25, Sands 28, Cueto 30, Lindgren 80, Nardi 20, Chargois 16, Stallings 13. **Umpires**—Home, Mike Estabrook; First, Laz Diaz; Second, Andy Fletcher; Third, Ryan Wills. **T**—2:31. **A**—0 (37,446).

YANKEES 8, PHILLIES 1

PHILADELPHIA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Turner ss	5	0	2	0	0	1	.389
Schwarber lf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.059
Realmuto c	4	0	1	0	0	0	.333
Castellanos rf	4	0	0	0	0	2	.267
Bohm dh	4	1	3	0	0	0	.467
Hall 1b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.250
Sosa 3b	4	0	1	1	0	1	.375
Stott 2b	4	0	1	0	0	0	.400
Marsh cf	4	0	2	0	0	1	.364
Totals	**37**	**1**	**11**	**1**	**0**	**7**	

NY YANKEES	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
LeMahieu 3b	5	2	2	0	0	0	.308
Judge cf	4	1	1	0	1	2	.412
Kiner-Falf pr-cf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Rizzo 1b	4	1	1	2	1	0	.333
Stanton dh	4	1	0	1	1	2	.188
Torres 2b	2	2	2	2	3	0	.333
FCordero rf	5	1	1	2	0	1	.200
Cabrera rf	0	0	0	0	0	0	.250
Hicks lf	3	0	0	0	1	1	.000
Trevino c	4	0	2	1	0	0	.300
Volpe ss	2	0	0	0	2	1	.182
Totals	**33**	**8**	**9**	**8**	**9**	**7**	

Philadelphia.....000 100 000 — 1 11 0
NY Yankees.....201 050 00x — 8 9 0

LOB—Philadelphia 9, NY Yankees 10. **2B**—Bohm (2), Marsh (2), FCordero (1). **3B**—LeMahieu (1). **HR**—Rizzo (1), off Marte, Torres (2), off Walker. **SB**—Torres (3).

Philadelphia	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Walker L 0-1	4⅓	4	4	4	3	5	8.31
Marte	⅓	3	4	4	3	1	54.00
Vasquez	2⅓	1	0	0	2	0	0.00
Domínguez	1	1	0	0	1	1	36.00

NY Yankees	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Cortes W 1-0	5	7	1	1	0	3	1.80
Hamilton	1⅔	3	0	0	0	2	0.00
Loáisiga	1⅓	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Holmes	1	1	0	0	0	2	10.80

Inherited runners-scored—Marte 1-1, Vasquez 2-0, Loáisiga 2-0. **Balk**—Vasquez. **NP**—Walker 87, Marte 31, Vasquez 30, Domínguez 19, Cortes 80, Hamilton 36, Loáisiga 10, Holmes 14. **Umpires**—Home, Paul Emmel; First, Chad Fairchild; Second, Nic Lentz; Third, Jeremie Rehak. **T**—2:41. **A**—37,202

RAYS 6, NATIONALS 2

TAMPA BAY	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
BrLowe 2b	5	0	0	0	0	2	.200
WFranco ss	4	0	1	0	0	1	.533
Arozarena dh	4	1	1	0	0	1	.286
Raley 1b-lf	3	2	2	3	1	0	.300
HarRamírez lf	4	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Walls 3b	0	0	0	0	0	0	.250
Paredes 3b-1b	4	2	2	1	0	1	.308
JoLowe rf	4	1	2	0	0	0	.500
Margot cf	3	0	1	1	0	0	.125
Mejía c	3	0	0	1	0	0	.143
Totals	**34**	**6**	**9**	**6**	**1**	**5**	

WASHINGTON	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
García 2b	4	0	0	0	0	0	.071
Meneses dh	4	0	0	0	0	2	.176
Candelario 3b	4	2	1	1	0	2	.143
Smith 1b	4	0	2	0	0	0	.357
Ruiz c	3	0	0	0	0	2	.308
Thomas rf	4	0	0	1	0	2	.313
Abrams ss	3	0	0	0	1	0	.000
Vargas lf	3	0	1	0	0	0	.143
Robles cf	3	0	0	0	0	0	.200
Totals	**32**	**2**	**4**	**2**	**1**	**8**	

Tampa Bay.....210 100 011 — 6 9 1
Washington.....000 000 101 — 2 4 2

E—BrLowe (1), Banda (1), Williams (1). **LOB**—Tampa Bay 4, Washington 5. **HR**—Raley 2 (2), off Williams, off MasoThompson, Paredes (1), off Williams, Candelario (1), off Faucher. **SB**—WFranco (2). **SF**—Margot, Mejía.

Tampa Bay	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Rasmssn W 1-0	6	2	0	0	0	7	0.00
Cleavinger	⅔	1	1	0	1	0	0.00
Adam	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Faucher	2	1	1	1	0	1	3.00

Washington	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Williams L 0-1	5	6	4	3	1	3	5.40
MasoThompson	3	1	1	1	0	1	1.80
Banda	1	2	1	1	0	1	4.50

Inherited runners-scored—Adam 2-0. **HBP**—by Faucher (Ruiz). **WP**—Cleavinger. **NP**—Rasmussen 66, Cleavinger 27, Adam 2, Faucher 33, Williams 93, MasoThompson 32, Banda 22. **Umpires**—Home, Larry Vanover; First, Chris Guccione; Second, Dan Merzel; Third, Edwin Moscoso. **T**—2:25. **A**—10,754 (41,380).

ROYALS 9, BLUE JAYS 5

TORONTO	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Springer rf	5	0	1	1	0	0	.286
Bichette ss	5	1	2	1	0	1	.421
Guerrero Jr. dh	4	0	1	1	1	0	.286
Varsho lf	4	0	0	0	1	2	.188
Kirk c	4	0	1	0	1	0	.250
Lukes pr	0	0	0	0	0	0	—
Belt 1b	4	1	0	0	1	2	.091
MChapman 3b	3	1	2	0	1	1	.533
Biggio 2b	3	1	2	0	1	1	.400
Kiermaier cf	4	1	1	0	0	1	.385
Totals	**36**	**5**	**10**	**3**	**6**	**8**	

KANSAS CITY	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Melendez c	5	2	2	2	0	3	.143
Pasquantino 1b	4	1	1	1	0	0	.143
Witt Jr. dh	3	1	2	2	1	0	.154
Massey 2b	4	1	1	0	0	2	.154
Isbel cf	4	0	1	1	0	1	.214
Dozier 3b	4	1	1	1	0	1	.091
Bradley Jr. lf	3	1	1	0	0	0	.167
NiLopez ss	2	2	1	2	2	0	.250
Eaton rf	4	0	0	0	0	4	.000
Totals	**33**	**9**	**10**	**9**	**3**	**11**	

Toronto.....000 010 211 — 5 10 0
Kansas City.....300 402 00x — 9 10 0

LOB—Toronto 10, Kansas City 4. **2B**—MChapman 2 (4), Melendez (1), Pasquantino (1). **3B**—NiLopez (1). **HR**—Bichette (1), off Clarke, Melendez (1), off Pop. **SB**—Guerrero Jr. (1), Witt Jr. (1), NiLopez (1). **DP**—Kansas City 1.

Toronto	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Berríos L 0-1	5⅔	9	8	8	2	7	12.71
Pop	1⅓	1	1	1	0	2	2.70
Cimber	1	0	0	0	1	2	0.00

Kansas City	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Singer W 1-0	5	2	1	1	3	3	1.80
Yarbrough	1⅓	5	2	2	1	2	6.00
Cuas	⅔	0	0	0	1	0	3.38
Coleman	1	1	1	1	1	2	10.80
Clarke	1	2	1	1	0	1	4.50

Inherited runners-scored—Pop 1-1, Cuas 3-1. **HBP**—by Cimber (Bradley Jr.). **WP**—Coleman. **NP**—Berríos 89, Pop 18, Cimber 22, Singer 76, Yarbrough 53, Cuas 16, Coleman 24, Clarke 13. **Umpires**—Home, Adam Hamari; First, Jerry Layne; Second, Vic Carapazza; Third, Manny Gonzalez. **T**—2:37. **A**—10,810 (37,903)

BRAVES 8, CARDINALS 4

ATLANTA	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Acuña Jr. rf	4	2	3	3	1	0	.353
Olson 1b	5	1	1	1	0	2	.313
Riley 3b	4	1	1	1	1	1	.214
d'Arnaud c	5	0	1	1	0	1	.389
Harris II cf	4	1	1	0	0	1	.286
Albies 2b	4	1	1	2	0	1	.313
Ozuna dh	2	0	0	0	2	2	.071
Rosario lf	3	1	1	0	1	0	.143
Arcia ss	4	1	1	0	0	1	.333
Totals	**35**	**8**	**10**	**8**	**5**	**9**	

ST. LOUIS	AB	R	H	BI	BB	SO	Avg.
Donovan 2b	5	0	0	1	0	2	.263
Burleson lf	5	1	1	0	0	2	.308
Goldschmidt 1b	4	1	2	1	1	0	.500
Arenado 3b	5	0	2	1	0	1	.333
Contreras c	5	0	1	0	0	0	.385
Gorman dh	3	1	2	0	1	1	.500
Carlson ph-dh	1	0	0	0	0	0	.600
O'Neill cf	4	1	2	0	0	0	.308
Walker rf	4	0	1	1	0	0	.313
Edman ss	3	0	1	0	1	0	.333
Totals	**39**	**4**	**12**	**4**	**3**	**6**	

Atlanta.....150 000 200 — 8 10 0
St. Louis.....100 200 100 — 4 12 0

LOB—Atlanta 5, St. Louis 11. **2B**—Acuña Jr. (1), d'Arnaud (2), Arcia (1). **HR**—Acuña Jr. (2), off Woodford, Riley (1), off Woodford, Albies (

WWE, UFC joining forces

New publicly traded company forming

By Michelle Chapman
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WWE is saying goodbye to existing as a family-run business as it joins with the company that runs the UFC to create a $21.4 billion sports entertainment company.

The deal announced Monday between Endeavor and World Wrestling Entertainment, on the heels of its biggest event of the year, catapults WWE into a new era after spending decades under the control of the McMahon family.

Vince McMahon purchased Capitol Wrestling from his father in 1982, and took the regional wrestling business to a national audience with stars such as Andre the Giant, Hulk Hogan, "Stone Cold" Steve Austin, John Cena, and Dwayne "The Rock" Johnson. The company, which changed its name to World Wrestling Federation and later World Wrestling Entertainment, hosted its first WrestleMania in 1985.

McMahon, in an interview with CNBC, addressed doubts among some WWE fans and industry experts that he would ever make a deal for the business. "It's the right time to do the right thing. And it's the next evolution of WWE," he said.

In a presentation after the deal was announced, the WWE and Endeavor said that they will cross promote to drive brand awareness and deepen penetration of their overlapping fan base, more than 700 million UFC fans and 1.2 billion WWE fans worldwide.

Ties already exist talent wise between WWE and UFC, with stars such as Brock Lesnar and Ronda Rousey crossing over between the two organizations.

A new publicly traded company will house the UFC and WWE brands, with Endeavor Group Holdings Inc. taking a 51 percent controlling interest in the new company. Existing WWE shareholders will hold a 49 percent stake.

The companies put the enterprise value of UFC at $12.1 billion and WWE's value at $9.3 billion.

The new business, which does not yet have a name, will be lead by Endeavor CEO Ari Emanuel. McMahon, executive chairman at WWE, will serve in the same role at the new company. Dana White will continue as president of UFC and Nick Khan will be president at WWE.

"Together, we will be a $21+ billion live sports and entertainment powerhouse with a collective fanbase of more than a billion people and an exciting growth opportunity," McMahon said in a prepared statement Monday.

He also provided some idea of where the focus of the new company will be, saying that it will look to maximize the value of combined media rights, enhance sponsorship monetization, develop new forms of content and pursue other strategic mergers and acquisitions to further bolster their brands.

Confirmation that WWE is being sold comes after McMahon, a majority shareholder of WWE, returned to the company in January and said that it could be on the block with viewership continuing to rise.

Rumors swirled about who would possibly be interested in buying WWE, with Endeavor, Disney, Fox, Comcast, Amazon and Saudi Arabia's Public Investment Fund all in the mix.

McMahon said on CNBC that there were several buyers interested in WWE, but that combining with Endeavor is the right move.

"It makes all the sense in the world for all these synergies that we have to extract all of the value that we can out of the marketplace," he explained.

Media industry analysts viewed WWE as an attractive target given its global reach and loyal fanbase.

The company held its marquee event, WrestleMania, over the weekend. The two-day spectacular, held at SoFi Stadium in California, topped the existing global viewership record by 28 percent on the first night. On the second night, it beat the existing global viewership record by 33 percent. Merchandise sales for WrestleMania 39 climbed 20 percent from a year earlier. Last year, WWE booked revenue of $1.3 billion.

The company is also a social media powerhouse. It surpassed 16 billion social video views in the final quarter of last year. It has nearly 94 million YouTube subscribers and has more than 20 million followers on TikTok. Its female wrestlers comprise five out of the top 15 most followed female athletes in the world, across Facebook, Twitter & Instagram, led by Rousey with 36.1 million followers.

WWE had more than 7.5 billion digital and social media views in January and February of this year, up 15 percent from the same time frame a year ago. And WrestleMania 39 had more than 500 million views and 11 million hours of video consumed over the two days of the event, a 42 percent increase over last year.

The new company plans to trade on the New York Stock Exchange under the "TKO" ticker symbol. Its board will have 11 members, with six being appointed by Endeavor and five being appointed by WWE.

"We like the assets of UFC and also WWE in a world where linear TV is losing market share to streaming, thus live sport content is in high demand," wrote Jeffries analyst Randal Konik said in a note to clients.

The transaction, which was approved by the boards of Endeavor and WWE, is targeted to close in the second half of the year. It still needs regulatory approval.

Shares of World Wrestling Entertainment Inc., based in Stamford, Connecticut, are up 33 percent this year, but fell nearly 4 percent in Monday afternoon trading. Shares of Endeavor, based in Beverly Hills, California, slipped more than 7 percent.

WWE VIA AP

On the heels of its biggest event of the year, WrestleMania, WWE announced a huge deal with the UFC Monday.

Watchorn opens new era at BU

Former Terrier will succeed Durocher

By Kat Cornetta
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In 2010, Tara Watchorn made history for Boston University women's hockey, scoring the overtime winner that gave the Terriers their first Hockey East title and sent them to their first NCAA Tournament.

Thirteen years later, the Ontario native is making history again for the Terriers. BU announced Monday that Watchorn, a 2012 graduate and 2014 Olympic gold medalist, will follow the retiring Brian Durocher as the program's second head coach. It marks Watchorn's third tenure on Commonwealth Avenue, as she also worked as an assistant coach under Durocher from 2017-21.

"It's really hard to put words, to think that I get to come back to my alma mater and be the head coach and to help keep pushing the program forward," said Watchorn Monday. "It's an absolute honor."

"Tara quickly emerged as a top candidate for this job," said BU athletic director Drew Marrochello in a press release, "and with each conversation we had with her, it became clear that her coaching experience at BU, Stonehill, and internationally with Hockey Canada has allowed her to build a confident vision and plan for BU hockey."

Watchorn's career with the Terriers came at the beginning of their wave of Canadian stars. In 2011, she anchored a strong BU blue line on the way to the national title game, the first time a Hockey East school played in the championship. After her 84-point college career, she continued to play for the Canadian national team and the Boston Blades of the defunct Canadian Women's Hockey League.

As a coach, Watchorn was part of one of the most intriguing stories in the sport this season, leading Stonehill College to a 17-15-2 record and NEWHA tournament semifinal appearance in the program's first season of varsity play. The team's success saw her named a finalist for the AHCA National Coach of the Year award.

Using the pandemic-disrupted recruiting cycle to her advantage, Watchorn stacked the Skyhawks' roster with overlooked talent like Alexis Petford, who led all freshmen nationally in goal scoring.

Recruiting has always been one of Watchorn's strong points, especially in her native Canada. She was responsible for recruiting British Columbia native Brooke Disher, the Terrier's top freshman defender this season and runner-up for Hockey East Rookie of the Year. Her work as an assistant coach with Hockey Canada not only helps in her exposure to high-level prospects, but gives her an early look at her own players like BU commit Alex Law, a member of this year's Canadian World Juniors team.

But that's not why Watchorn keeps returning to national team positions. She believes coaching at such a high level gives her additional insights for the players she coaches year-round.

"[Coaching for Hockey Canada] for sure helps, but what I always tell people is that my experiences with Hockey Canada as a coach just make me a better coach," said Watchorn. "I think that's where it helps in recruiting, is that I can offer recruits more. How I'm going to help develop them skill-wise and where I see them in [a national team] program."

The college hockey transfer portal has become seemingly as competitive as the season itself, and Watchorn will have her eye on it in her new role, looking to rebuild BU's roster after a few years of disappointing performances. The Terriers went 11-20-3 this season, finishing seventh in Hockey East.

"We got to get in there and get a sense of what the team needs," said Watchorn. "I think everyone now knows that the transfer portal is part of the mix, so whether it's continued recruiting for the next class or evaluating the transfer portal, that's all part of it."

Watchorn credited BU for running a quick and professional search. After meeting with both her new and now-former teams Monday, she is eager to get to work.

"I want to get in there and really have some good conversations with the girls, continue to build relationships and get a sense of where they think they're at and where they want to go," said Watchorn.

Despite the focus forward, she won't soon forget the coach who came before her.

"I would not be in this situation if it wasn't for Brian Durocher," said Watchorn. "He believed in me as a player. He believed in me as a coach when he hired me as an assistant. Without him, there's no way I would be in this situation."

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Coach Dan Hurley (left) and the Huskies had plenty to celebrate after piecing together one of the most dominant runs in tournament history.

UConn men finish off stirring run with title

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half, only to see the Aztecs (32-7) trim the lead to 5 with 5:19 left. But Jordan Hawkins (16 points) answered with a 3-pointer to trigger a 9-0 run and the only drama left was whether UConn would cover the 7½-point spread and go six for six with double-digit wins.

Keshad Johnson had 14 points for San Diego State, which came up one win shy in its first trip to the Final Four.

UConn set the stage for this one over an 11:07 stretch in the first half during which the Aztecs didn't make a single basket. Unable to shoot over or go around this tall, long UConn team, they missed 14 straight shots from the floor.

They went from leading by 4 to trailing by 11, and when they weren't getting shots blocked (Southborough's Alex Karaban had three and Sanogo had one) or altered on the inside, they were coming up short — a telltale sign of a team that was out of hops after a draining 72-71 buzzer-beater win over Florida Atlantic two nights earlier.

UConn fan Bill Murray was one of the few celebrities on hand to watch the Huskies make it five for five in title games in one of the most unexpected Final Fours in history. This one marked the last that Jim Nantz would call after 37 years behind the mic.

He's had a lot of UConn stories to tell, though this certainly wasn't the most dramatic.

Even with that brief bout of uncertainty midway through the second half, UConn never truly let the Aztecs, who overcame a 14-point deficit in the semifinal, start thinking about any more last-second dramatics.

This was a team built strictly for 2023 — replenished by coach Dan Hurley, who went to the transfer portal to find more outside shooting after back-to-back first-round exits in the tournament.

And yet, there was something decidedly old-school about the way the Huskies took care of business in the early going.

They didn't even think much about 3-point shooting at the start, instead skip passing into Sanogo on the post and wearing down SDSU while building the early lead.

The Aztecs were too good a team to cave and an over-pursuing defense is what triggered the late run to within 5. A team built on defense only shot 32 percent from the floor.

And after its late run, they started getting burned and Hurley and Co. were hugging it out on the bench before the buzzer.

UConn's latest coronation makes Hurley the third coach to bring a trophy home to Storrs, Conn.. He joins Jim Calhoun (1999, 2004, 2011) and Kevin Ollie (2014).

UConn 76, San Diego State 59

At NRG Stadium, Houston

SAN DIEGO STATE

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Mensah	23	0-4	1-2	4-6	0	3	1
Johnson	22	3-5	7-9	1-4	1	1	14
Bradley	27	2-9	4-5	1-3	1	2	8
Butler	32	5-11	0-0	1-4	2	1	13
Trammell	29	5-11	2-2	1-3	1	3	13
Alger	0	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Arop	15	0-3	0-0	3-4	1	1	0
Barnett	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Johnson Jr.	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Parrish	17	0-5	0-0	1-3	0	4	0
Saunders	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Seiko	14	1-4	0-0	0-2	0	3	3
LeDee	18	3-6	1-2	0-4	1	2	7
Totals		19-59	15-20	12-34	7	20	59

FG%: .322, FT%: .750. 3-pt. goals: 6-23, .261 (Johnson 1-1, Bradley 0-4, Butler 3-7, Trammell 1-3, Alger 0-1, Parrish 0-4, Seiko 1-3). Team rebounds: 1. Blocks: 2 (Mensah, Butler). Turnovers: 12 (Mensah, Bradley, Butler 4, Trammell 2, Arop, Seiko, LeDee 2). Steals: 7 (Mensah 2, Bradley, Butler, Trammell 3). Technicals: 0

UCONN

	Min	FG M-A	FT M-A	Reb O-T	A	F	Pt
Karaban	30	1-5	2-3	1-5	0	2	5
Sanogo	30	5-9	7-8	5-10	1	2	17
Jackson Jr.	35	1-3	1-2	0-3	6	3	3
Hawkins	29	5-9	4-4	0-4	0	2	16
Newton	33	5-11	8-8	2-10	4	2	19
Diarra	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Hurley	0	0-0	0-0	0-1	0	0	0
Johnson	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Roumoglou	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Springs	0	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0
Clingan	10	2-3	0-0	1-3	1	3	4
Alleyne	19	2-7	2-2	1-3	0	1	6
Calcaterra	13	2-6	0-0	0-1	1	0	6
Totals		23-53	24-27	10-40	13	15	76

FG%: .434, FT%: .889. 3-pt. goals: 6-17, .353 (Karaban 1-3, Jackson Jr. 0-1, Hawkins 2-4, Newton 1-3, Alleyne 0-3, Calcaterra 2-3). Team rebounds: 0. Blocks: 6 (Karaban 3, Sanogo, Hawkins, Clingan). Turnovers: 13 (Karaban 2, Jackson Jr. 2, Hawkins, Newton 5, Clingan, Calcaterra 2). Steals: 8 (Jackson Jr. 2, Hawkins, Newton 2, Clingan 2, Calcaterra). Technicals: 0

San Diego State (32-7)	24	35	—	59
UConn (31-8)	36	40	—	76

A — 72,423 (0). Officials — Ron Groover, Keith Kimble, Terry Oglesby.

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UConn's Adama Sanogo (center) was named Most Outstanding Player after recording his fourth double-double of the tournament.

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' LACROSSE NOTEBOOK

The journey back atop

Four approaches for how to follow a championship

By Trevor Hass
GLOBE CORRESPONDENT

With last year's Division 2 state title as an everlasting memory, Notre Dame (Hingham) girls' lacrosse coach **Meredith Frank McGinnis** is ensuring this year's players understand they can't coast on their work from 2022.

The No. 2 Cougars are favorites once again, but as recent history shows, nothing is guaranteed. From 2013 to 2021, just one team repeated (Norwell in 2016). Last year, Westwood (Division 1) and Dover-Sherborn (Division 4) curbed the trend, but teams have still only gone back-to-back six out of a possible 30 times (20 percent) since 2007.

Doing so is extremely difficult, because defending champions must navigate the spotlight, overcome losing core players, and withstand supreme efforts from the opposition every night.

"It's a unique situation to try to take what worked from last year while still trying to create a new path this year so that you steer away from that complacency or that proverbial hangover," Frank McGinnis said.

The Cougars have won three state titles since 2013, but a repeat has eluded NDA.

With five seniors gone, including starting goalie **Raegan White**, Frank McGinnis is emphasizing "creating a new foundation." They're doing what they've always done, while also reworking elements of their approach.

"Of course we're working toward a state championship title again," Boston College-bound senior **Alexa Kenney** said. "However, we as a team are not entitled to anything. Every one of us is working twice as hard as last year."

That mind-set holds true for Division 3 champion, No. 3 Medfield, which graduated 11 seniors, including its starting defense. Players who patiently waited for their opportunity now have a chance to shine.

Fortunately for coach **Mary Laughna**, Northwestern-bound senior **Alex Blake** and Boston College-bound junior **Kelly Blake** are back, yet the bulk of the team is new. The Blakes (who are unrelated) weren't as known early last year, but after serving as catalysts on a championship team, no one will sleep on them.

Laughna said it's a completely different team in many ways, yet the opposition still thinks of Medfield as defending champs. She reminds her defenders that she doesn't need them to be last year's defenders, but she does need them to execute their roles.

There are some principles the Warriors hope carry over. For instance, 89.5 percent of their non-free position goals last year were assisted.

"Last year definitely set the bar really high," Laughna said. "Every year we've built more and more and more. Now, it's about maintaining that."

Kelly Blake was part of a similar experience this winter, when the girls' basketball team retooled after losing a strong senior class and pieced together a terrific season.

"We're determined to be just as successful as we were last year," Blake said. "We use last year as motivation for this year's season. It was incredible to win states last year, and it's definitely a feeling we all want to experience again."

How about the teams that have done it? Westwood is the place to start, as the top-ranked Wolverines are looking for their third consecutive Division 1 crown. While they lost **Kate Deehan** and many other skilled seniors, they return **Ava Connaughton**, **Lil Hancock**, and goalie **Riley Harrington**.

Coach **Margot Spatola** acknowledged repeating is likely in the backs of some players' minds and staying in the moment is imperative.

"It's really not so much focusing on repeating or trying to get that notoriety," Spatola said. "It's really more about: How do we focus on who we are right now and become the best team that we want to be?"

The Wolverines have a sense of what works, in terms of how they approach practices and games, but adjust as they go to avoid falling into the trap of stagnation.

Talent across the state is quite possibly the highest it's ever been, and teams with continuity and chemistry often rise to the top.

No. 6 Dover-Sherborn is also looking to three-peat. Much like Medfield, last year's top defenders are gone. Fortunately for coach **Erin Massimi**, stars **Mia Guarini** and **Magdalena Rieper** are back.

Massimi said it "feels like a rebuild year, but from a different lens." As much as they may seem like a contender from the outside, on the inside they feel like a team figuring out how to maximize their promise.

"No matter how talented your team might be at the beginning, the hardest part is putting together the chess pieces each year," Massimi said. "Every year, it feels harder than any previous season, but that's what makes it so fun."

Globe Top 20

No.		Rec.
1.	Westwood	0-1
2.	Notre Dame (H)	1-0
3.	Medfield	1-0
4.	Lincoln-Sudbury	0-0
5.	Franklin	1-0
6.	Dover-Sherborn	1-0
7.	Wellesley	0-0
8.	Walpole	1-0
9.	Newburyport	0-0
10.	Central Catholic	0-0
11.	Concord-Carlisle	0-0
12.	Duxbury	0-1
13.	Cohasset	1-0
14.	Chelmsford	0-0
15.	Winchester	2-0
16.	Hingham	1-0
17.	Norwell	0-0
18.	Weymouth	0-1
19.	Foxborough	1-0
20.	Needham	0-0

Quick sticks

■ Before longtime Cohasset coach **Kully Reardon** announced she was stepping away, **Billy Bitter** had been helping out for a few months, running offensive clinics throughout the Skippers' Division 3 playoff run.

So, when the position opened up in the offseason, parents of Cohasset players threw Bitter's hat in the ring.

"Kully really built a tremendous program," Bitter said. "The girls expect to play well. They expect to win and win often."

It's a familiar mind-set for Bitter, who scored 99 goals with 72 assists in 63 career games at North Carolina.

At Cohasset, he inherited a program that finished as the Division 3 state runner-up last year and is packed with both young and veteran talent. Senior goaltender **Aizza Chase**, committed to Roger Williams, backstops a stingy defense.

"I haven't seen hands as quick as hers for that position in a long time," Bitter said.

■ **Gabby Majenski** was named Abington's varsity head coach this offseason after spending two years as the Green Wave's JV coach. Majenski is a 2016 graduate of Whitman-Hanson and played college lacrosse at Salve Regina, where she was a two-time captain for the Seahawks. Majenski will look to improve on the Green Wave's 10-8 finish from a season ago.

■ After earning Patriot League All-Star honors as a freshman last season, Hingham's **Grace Maroney** is back for more. The sophomore — who also started on Hingham's Division 1 state champion soccer team — netted five goals for the Harborwomen in a season-opening win over Scituate on Friday.

Globe correspondents Emma Healy and Olivia Nolan contributed to this report.

SportsLog

LSU win tops women's basketball ratings

Louisiana State's victory over Iowa in Sunday's national championship on ABC and ESPN2 was the most-watched women's college basketball game in history. The matchup, featuring first-team All-America selections **Angel Reese** (LSU) and **Caitlin Clark** (Iowa), averaged 9.9 million viewers on the networks, peaking at 12.6 million, per Nielsen Media Research. LSU won, 102-85. Viewership was up 103 percent over last year's championship game, South Carolina's 64-49 win over UConn, which averaged 4.9 million viewers. ESPN has had exclusive rights to the tournament since 1996. The previously highest-rated final in that span was a 2002 matchup between UConn and Oklahoma, which averaged 5.7 million viewers. This is the first year the final aired on ABC, which like ESPN is owned primarily by the Walt Disney Company.

CHAD FINN

Knight, 82, out of hospital

Former Indiana Hoosiers coach **Bob Knight**, 82, was released from a hospital in Bloomington, Ind., and returned home after being admitted with an illness over the weekend, his son said. "On behalf of the Knight Family, we thank you for your thoughts and prayers. As many have heard, my dad was hospitalized over the weekend with an illness and has since been released from the hospital," according to a statement from **Pat Knight** posted online. "We ask for your privacy as he is cared for and resting at home in good hands." An e-mail from the university about Knight's health was sent to former Indiana basketball players on Friday, asking for prayers and saying Knight hoped to return home soon after being hospitalized with an undisclosed illness. The university did not have an update on Knight's condition.

HOCKEY

Mercyhurst dismisses Briere

The son of Philadelphia Flyers interim general manager **Danny Briere** has been dismissed from the Mercyhurst University men's hockey team after a video showed him and another athlete at the school pushing an unoccupied wheelchair down a staircase. Mercyhurst posted on Twitter that Carson Briere "has been removed" from the team. The school said it cannot comment further on the situation. Police in Erie, Pa., filed charges of criminal mischief, criminal conspiracy to commit mischief and disorderly conduct against Carson Briere last month. **Patrick Carrozzi**, listed as a senior member of the school's lacrosse team, faces the same three charges, according to documents filed with District Judge Sue Mack. They are scheduled to appear in court on May 22.

MISCELLANY

Muguruza to skip two majors

Garbiñe Muguruza is skipping the French Open and Wimbledon — the sites of her two Grand Slam titles — during an extended break from tennis. The former No. 1-ranked woman hasn't played a match on tour since Jan. 30 and is 0-4 this year. She wrote in an Instagram post that she will miss the entire clay-court and grass-court portions of the season . . . Olympic volleyball gold medalist **Wallace de Souza** was suspended for one year by Brazil's Olympic Committee for online abuse of President **Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva**.

Scoreboard

Schools

BASEBALL

Agawam 13, Amherst-Pelham 2
Drury 10, Hoosac Valley 0
Granby 11, Wahconah 10
Pathfinder 7, Westfield Tech 5
Pope Francis 13, Holyoke 0
W. Springfield 2, Longmeadow 0
Westfield 25, Chicopee 0
BI-COUNTY
Hampshire 21, Palmer 5
BOSTON CITY
New Mission 4, Boston Int'l. 3
TechBoston 18, Brighton 7
CAPE ANN
Georgetown 10, Ipswich 0
COLONIAL
Bay Path 9, Adv. Math & Sci. 0
Worcester Tech 4, Keefe Tech 0
EIL
Bancroft 13, Lex. Christian 3
GREATER BOSTON
Lynn Classical 7, Revere 3
Lynn English 15, Medford 6
Malden 14, Everett 4
HOCKOMOCK
Canton 11, North Attleboro 5
Foxboro 5, Milford 4
Franklin 11, Oliver Ames 1
King Philip 12, Stoughton 0
Mansfield 2, Attleboro 1
Taunton 20, Sharon 0
INTER-HIGH
Burncoat 8, Worcester North 4
MAYFLOWER
W. Bridgewater 14, Holbrook 1
MIDDLESEX
Reading 4, Wilmington 3
Stoneham 9, Belmont 0
Watertown 3, Arlington 2
Winchester 18, Burlington 10
SOUTH COAST
Bourne 8, Joseph Case 0
Fairhaven 12, Digh.-Rehoboth 4
Old Rochester 4, Gr. New Bedford 1
Seekonk 8, Wareham 0
Somerset Berkley 13, Apponequet 0
SUBURBAN
Belchertown 5, S. Hadley 1
SWCL
Auburn 10, Bartlett 0
Grafton 14, David Prouty 3
Leicester 3, Millbury 2
Oxford 15, Southbridge 0
Tantasqua 6, Northbridge 1
Uxbridge 10, Quaboag 0
NONLEAGUE
Bp. Feehan 8, E. Bridgewater 3
Bridge.-Raynham 11, Barnstable 1
BB&N 3, Bridgton 2
Charlestown 8, Roxbury Prep 6
Dennis-Yarmouth 22, Madison Park 0
Durfee 3, Middleboro 2
Hopkins 6, Southwick 3
Lincoln-Sudbury 11, BC High 6
Ludlow 6, Athol 3
Mashpee 6, Monomoy 1
Middlesex 11, Austin Prep 7
Norfolk Aggie 4, Saint Joseph Prep 2
Oakmont 9, Marlborough 1
Pingree 9, St. Paul's 2
Pioneer Valley Reg. 7, Smith Acad. 2
St. Paul 6, Shrewsbury 1
Scituate 6, Cohasset 5
Springfield Cent. 9, E. Longmeadow 0
Taconic 12, Northampton 0
Ware 3, Mt. Greylock 2
Whit.-Hanson 9, New Bedford 1
Winthrop 9, Northeast 1

GOLF

GIRLS
BAY STATE
Brookline 4½, Weymouth 1½
NONLEAGUE
Bp. Feehan 180, Dennis-Yarmouth 231

LACROSSE

BOYS
CAPE ANN
Triton 10, N. Reading 4
COMMONWEALTH
Essex Tech 9, Shawsheen 7
HOCKOMOCK
Mansfield 13, Oliver Ames 1
Sharon 11, King Philip 10
MID-WACH
Algonquin 16, Shrewsbury 3
PATRIOT
Whit.-Hanson 6, Pembroke 4
TRI-VALLEY
Bellingham 9, Medway 8
Hopkinton 13, Ashland 6
Westwood 13, Holliston 8
NONLEAGUE
Abington 17, Weymouth 12
Abp. Williams 9, N. Quincy/Quincy 7
Arlington Cath. 13, Cambridge 7
Bp. Stang 5, Dartmouth 4
Bourne 17, Mashpee 6
Dover-Sherborn 20, Norton 0
Grafton 15, Ipswich 6
Hull 8, St. Mary's 6
Lynnfield 17, Gloucester 3
Manchester 11, Bp. Fenwick 7
Pentucket 15, Swampscott 5
Rockland 6, Braintree 4
Tantasqua 14, Agawam 4
Westport 8, Cape Cod Tech 0
Whittier 11, Nashoba Tech 0
GIRLS
Pope Francis 14, Wahconah 9
BAY STATE
Walpole 16, Natick 7
CAPE & ISLANDS
Nantucket 18, St. John Paul II 5
CAPE ANN
N. Reading 14, Triton 12
COMMONWEALTH
Essex Tech 15, Shawsheen 10
Lowell Cath. 8, Gr. Lowell 7
HOCKOMOCK
King Philip 15, Sharon 1
MID-WACH
Algonquin 10, Shrewsbury 9
PATRIOT
Silver Lake 11, Plymouth South 2
Whit.-Hanson 16, Pembroke 5
TRI-VALLEY
Dover-Sherborn 18, Norton 4
Hopkinton 15, Norwood 10
Medfield 18, Ashland 12
Medway 18, Bellingham 5
NONLEAGUE
Beaver CD 16, Marianapolis 4
Beverly 11, Bp. Fenwick 7
Bourne 16, Mashpee 8
Bromfield 18, Tantasqua 15
Canandaigua (N.Y.) 10, Westwood 2
Dartmouth 13, Bp. Stang 6
Foxboro 14, Braintree 6
Framingham 17, Arlington 7
Lynnfield 12, Gloucester 1
Manchester 7, Marblehead 5
Nashoba Tech 13, Whittier 5
Notre Dame (H) 16, Duxbury 4
Notre Dame (W) 17, Hopedale 3
Quincy 11, Abp. Williams 9
Stoneham 14, Revere 3

SOFTBALL

E. Longmeadow 13, Longmeadow 8
Easthampton 15, Chicopee Comp. 1
Granby 19, Springfield International 7
Greenfield 9, Mt. Greylock 1
Hampshire 15, Minnechaug 0
Monument Mtn. 21, Putnam 3
Northampton 3, Chicopee 0
Pope Francis 24, Smith Academy 11
S. Hadley 15, Holyoke 1
Westfield 10, Agawam 0
Westfield 27, St. Mary (Westfield) 12
BOSTON CITY
English High 12, Brighton 10
CAPE & ISLANDS
Sturgis East 12, Nauset 0
COLONIAL
Bay Path 4, Adv. Math & Sci. 2
DUAL COUNTY
Lincoln-Sudbury 13, Acton-Boxboro 7
Newton South 15, Wayland 2
GREATER BOSTON
Everett 12, Malden 0
HOCKOMOCK
Attleboro 14, Mansfield 0
Foxboro 12, Milford 6
Franklin 8, Oliver Ames 7
King Philip 21, Stoughton 1
North Attleboro 10, Canton 0
Taunton 34, Sharon 1
MIDDLESEX
Arlington 12, Watertown 0
Burlington 16, Winchester 1
Lexington 15, Wakefield 14
Reading 13, Wilmington 5
Woburn 9, Melrose 1
NORTHEASTERN
Beverly 9, Masconomet 8
SOUTH COAST
Digh.-Rehoboth 20, Fairhaven 5
Gr. New Bedford 18, Old Rochester 0
Joseph Case 13, Bourne 1
SWCL
Auburn 12, Bartlett 0
Millbury 21, Leicester 2
Oxford 21, Southbridge 1
Tantasqua 17, Northbridge 9
Uxbridge 14, Quaboag 1
TRI-VALLEY
Norton 16, Medfield 4
NONLEAGUE
Abington 4, Walpole 1
Abp. Williams 12, Fontbonne 0
Bedford 9, Belmont 5
Blackstone Valley 16, Parker Charter 2
Boston Latin 11, Wellesley 10
Bridge.-Raynham 1, Braintree 0
Brockton 10, N. Quincy 4
Card. Spellman 4, Monomoy 0
Framingham 15, Waltham 2
Georgetown 9, Salem 1
Hull/Cohasset 14, Dennis-Yarmouth 3
Littleton 5, Tahanto 2
Lynnfield 13, E. Boston 11
Manchester 21, Cristo Rey 0
Marianapolis 17, Beaver CD 1
Marlborough 5, Oakmont 4
Mashpee 21, Martha's Vnyd. 10
Medway 16, Douglas 0
Middleboro 13, Durfee 1
Millis 9, Ayer Shirley 5
Notre Dame (H) 2, Whit.-Hanson 1
Notre Dame (W) 10, N. Middlesex 5
O'Bryant 18, Winthrop 6
Pentucket 7, Notre Dame (T) 3
St. Bernard's 9, Worcester Tech 5
SJP/Matignon 15, S. Shore Christian 0
St. Paul 14, Shrewsbury 1
Scituate 13, Weymouth 12
Shepherd Hill 26, Algonquin 1
Tyngsboro 13, Chelmsford 9
Wachusett 2, Grafton 1

Schools

TENNIS

BOYS
GREATER BOSTON
Lynn Classical 4, Revere 1
HOCKOMOCK
Oliver Ames 3, Franklin 2
NONLEAGUE
Arlington 4, Wakefield 1
Belmont 4, Melrose 1
Brookline 4, Westford 1
Durfee 4, Westport 1
Shrewsbury 4, Nashoba 1
Wellesley 5, Westboro 0
Winchester 5, Wilmington 0
GIRLS
DUAL COUNTY
Westford 4, Wayland 1
GREATER BOSTON
Medford 3, Lynn English 2
HOCKOMOCK
Franklin 4, Oliver Ames 1
King Philip 5, Stoughton 0
Sharon 5, Taunton 0
MERRIMACK VALLEY
Andover 5, Tewksbury 0
NORTHEASTERN
Swampscott 5, Saugus 0
NONLEAGUE
Bp. Stang 5, Seekonk 0
Durfee 3, Westport 2
Hingham 5, Notre Dame (H) 0
Milton 5, Fontbonne 0
Wellesley 3, Newton South 2
W. Bridgewater 5, Silver Lake 0
Whit.-Hanson 4, Abington 1
Winchester 5, Wilmington 0

VOLLEYBALL

BOYS
CATHOLIC CONFERENCE
St. John's (S) 3, St. John's Prep 1
Xaverian 3, Cath. Memorial 1
DUAL COUNTY
Acton-Boxboro 3, Newton South 0
GREATER BOSTON
Malden 3, Everett 0
Medford 3, Lynn English 0
Revere 3, Lynn Classical 0
Somerville 3, Chelsea 0
SOUTH ALLIANCE
N. Quincy 3, New Bedford 0
Quincy 3, Durfee 1
Taunton 3, Brockton 0
TRI-VALLEY
King Philip 3, Digh.-Rehoboth 0
Medfield 3, Norwood 0
Millis 3, Norton 1
NONLEAGUE
BC High 3, Winchester 0
Gr. Lawrence 3, Wakefield 0
Keefe Tech 3, Framingham 0
Latin Acad. 3, Pioneer Charter II 0
Leominster 3, S. Lancaster 1
Lincoln-Sudbury 3, Algonquin 1
Natick 3, Wayland 0
Needham 3, O'Bryant 1
Randolph 3, Madison Park 1

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Colleges

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Championship
At Houston
UConn 76, SDSU 59

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

LSU, 102-85

Championship
Sunday at Dallas

LSU (34-2) — Reese 5-12 5-8 15, Williams 9-16 2-2 20, Poole 2-3 0-2 6, Johnson 4-11 1-1 10, Morris 8-14 4-4 21, Smith 1-3 0-0 2, Poa 2-3 0-0 6, Carson 7-8 3-4 22. Totals 38-70 15-21 102.

IOWA (31-7) — Warnock 3-7 2-4 9, Czinano 5-11 3-3 13, Marshall 3-5 4-4 12, Martin 5-7 0-0 13, Clark 9-22 4-5 30, Affolter 0-0 0-0 0, Davis 1-1 0-0 2, Stuelke 1-2 0-0 2, O'Grady 1-1 2-4 4. Totals 28-56 15-20 85.

MEN'S HOCKEY

Frozen Four Semifinals
At Amalie Arena, Tampa, Florida
Thursday, April 6
Boston Univ. vs. Minnesota, 5 pm
Michigan vs. Quinnipiac, 8:30 pm

Baseball

TRIPLE-A INTERNATIONAL

TUESDAY'S GAMES
Worcester at Buffalo, 2:05
Rochester at Syracuse, 2:05
Charlotte at Columbus, 6:15
Gwinnett at Norfolk, 6:35
Indianapolis at Louisville, 6:35
Scranton/W-B at Lehigh Valley, 6:45
Durham at Jacksonville, 7:05
Toledo at Omaha, 7:35
Iowa at St. Paul, 7:37
Nashville at Memphis, 7:45
SUNDAY'S RESULTS
At Worcester 8, Syracuse 1
Buffalo 3, at Scranton/W.-Barre 2
At Charlotte 6, Memphis 5
Jacksonville 13, at Gwinnett 12
Omaha 8, at Indianapolis 3
St. Paul 4, at Toledo 3
At Iowa 12, Columbus 11
Louisville 5, at Nashville 2
Norfolk 7, at Durham 4
Lehigh Valley, at Rochester

Basketball

NBA G LEAGUE

Finals (Best of 3)
Tuesday, April 4
Rio Grande at Delaware, 9pm
Thursday, April 6
Delaware at Rio Grande, 8:30pm
Sunday, April 9 (If necessary)
Rio Grande at Delaware, 8:30pm

Scoreboard

	TUE 4/4	WED 4/5	THU 4/6	FRI 4/7	SAT 4/8	SUN 4/9	MON 4/10
Red Sox	PIT 7:10 NESN	PIT 1:35 NESN	DET 1:10 NESN		DET 4:10 NESN	DET 1:10 NESN	TB 6:40 NESN
Bruins			TOR 7:00 NESN		NJ 8:00 ABC	PHI 6:00 TNT	
Celtics	PHI 8:00 NBCSB, TNT	TOR 7:30 NBCSB		TOR 7:30 NBCSB		ATL 1:00 NBCSB	
Revolution					MTL 7:30 AppleTV*		

Home games shaded
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ON THE AIR

BASEBALL
4:10 p.m. Arizona at San Diego — MLB
7:05 p.m. Philadelphia at NY Yankees — TBS
7:10 p.m. Pittsburgh at Boston — NESN
10:10 p.m. Colorado at LA Dodgers — MLB

COLLEGE BASEBALL
5:30 p.m. East Carolina at N.C. State — ESPNU

PRO BASKETBALL
8 p.m. Boston at Philadelphia — NBCSB, TNT
9 p.m. G-League final: Rio Grande at Delaware — ESPNU

PRO HOCKEY
8 p.m. Vegas at Nashville — ESPN
10:30 p.m. Edmonton at Los Angeles — ESPN

MEN'S SOCCER
2:45 p.m. Premier: Nottingham Forest at Leeds — USA
8 p.m. CONCACAF: Atlas at Philadelphia — FS1
10 p.m. CONCACAF: Violette at Club Len — FS1

COLLEGE SOFTBALL
3 p.m. Merrimack at Harvard — NESN

(Schedule subject to change)

AHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE
Atlantic Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Hershey	41	16	5	4	91	198	164
Providence	40	16	8	2	90	198	181
Springfield	36	23	2	5	79	211	191
Charlotte	35	23	5	3	78	212	201
Lehigh Valley	35	26	3	3	76	202	204
Hartford	31	25	4	7	73	210	208
Bridgeport	31	27	7	1	70	216	221
WB/Scranton	25	28	7	6	63	178	201

North Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Toronto	41	21	3	2	87	216	203
Syracuse	33	24	5	4	75	231	216
Rochester	33	25	5	3	74	215	215
Utica	32	25	6	4	74	198	206
Laval	29	28	7	3	68	235	233
Cleveland	29	29	5	2	65	205	237
Belleville	28	30	6	3	65	214	243

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Texas	36	18	9	3	84	241	188
Milwaukee	39	22	3	2	83	218	191
Manitoba	34	23	5	4	77	206	205
Iowa	32	25	5	5	74	200	198
Rockford	31	26	5	4	71	196	217
Chicago	30	28	4	3	67	198	221
Grand Rapids	27	32	4	4	62	185	242

Pacific Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Calgary	47	15	3	1	98	242	161
Coachella	45	14	4	2	96	243	175
Colorado	36	21	7	3	82	195	179
Abbotsford	37	23	3	4	81	216	194
Ontario	33	29	4	1	71	196	194
Bakersfield	33	29	2	2	70	194	202
Tucson	30	30	7	0	67	203	220
San Jose	28	33	1	4	61	185	229
Henderson	24	37	0	5	53	178	205
San Diego	20	44	2	1	43	171	261

NOTE: Two points awarded for win, one point for OT or shootout loss. Top four teams in each division advance to playoffs.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Hershey 3, Cleveland 0
Lehigh Valley 3, Bridgeport 2
Utica 5, Syracuse 4
Chicago 5, Milwaukee 2
San Diego 4, Iowa 2
Toronto 6, Belleville 2
Rockford 5, Grand Rapids 1
Colorado 2, Ontario 1
MONDAY'S RESULTS
San Jose, at Coachella Valley
TUESDAY'S GAMES
Springfield at Bridgeport, 11:30 p.m.
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Toronto at Hartford, 7 p.m.
Charlotte at WB/Scranton, 7:05 p.m.
Cleveland at Belleville, 7:05 p.m.
Hershey at Providence, 7:05 p.m.
Syracuse at Rochester, 7:05 p.m.
Chicago at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.
Colorado at Bakersfield, 9:30 p.m.
Calgary at Coachella Valley, 10 p.m.
San Jose at San Diego, 10 p.m.
Tucson at Henderson, 10 p.m.
SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Abbotsford 2, Manitoba 1
Rochester 4, Utica 2
Hershey 4, Cleveland 1
Springfield 6, Charlotte 5
Syracuse 4, WB/Scranton 3
Iowa 5, San Diego 1
Laval 6, Milwaukee 4
Belleville 4, Toronto 0
Bridgeport 5, Providence 2
Hartford 5, Lehigh Valley 1
Chicago 3, Rockford 0
Texas 7, San Jose 2
Coachella Valley 3, Colorado 2
Bakersfield 2, Tucson 1

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EASTERN CONFERENCE
North Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Newfoundland	45	20	2	0	92	250	202
Reading	38	23	5	1	82	240	196
Maine	38	25	2	1	79	238	192
Worcester	33	31	4	0	70	215	227
Adirondack	29	26	9	2	69	217	222
Trois-Rivieres	27	37	3	0	57	200	251
Norfolk	19	43	2	3	43	183	288

South Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
South Carolina	40	21	4	1	85	242	178
Jacksonville	39	21	3	1	82	204	183
Florida	36	22	4	4	80	209	194
Greenville	35	22	8	1	79	213	201
Atlanta	34	27	6	1	75	217	226
Orlando	30	29	7	1	68	208	236
Savannah	26	30	9	1	62	189	227

WESTERN CONFERENCE
Central Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pt	GF	GA
Cincinnati	45	13	6	3	99	251	195
Toledo	43	18	4	3	93	240	166
Indy	39	23	5	0	83	229	195
Fort Wayne	32	27	4	3	71	248	253
Kalamazoo	27	35	4	0	58	156	204
Wheeling	26	36	5	0	57	204	228
Iowa	20	33	13	1	54	175	239

Mountain Division

	W	L	OL	SO	Pts	GF	GA
Idaho	53	10	2	1	109	270	139
Allen	33	30	1	1	68	233	241
Kansas City	30	28	6	2	68	200	213
Utah	32	31	3	0	67	210	247
Wichita	30	31	6	0	66	210	222
Rapid City	30	33	3	0	63	221	251
Tulsa	21	35	8	1	51	192	248

NOTE: Top four teams in each division advance to playoffs.

SUNDAY'S RESULTS
Atlanta 4, Florida 0
Cincinnati 4, Wheeling 3
Maine 5, Tulsa 2
Savannah 5, Greenville 3
Trois-Rivieres 3, Reading 2
Iowa 5, Fort Wayne 4
Kalamazoo 3, Indy 2
South Carolina 4, Toledo 1
MONDAY'S GAMES
No games scheduled
TUESDAY'S GAMES
Rapid City at Kansas City, 8:05 p.m.
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
Tulsa at Wichita, 11:30 a.m.
Maine at Worcester, 7:05 p.m.
Jacksonville at Florida, 7:30 p.m.
Savannah at Allen, 8:05 p.m.
Utah at Idaho, 9:10 p.m.
SATURDAY'S RESULTS
Trois-Rivieres 3, Reading 1
Tulsa 4, Maine 2
Newfoundland 3, Norfolk 0
Florida 4, Atlanta 3
Iowa 4, Kalamazoo 1
Jacksonville 3, Orlando 2
Adirondack 3, Worcester 1
Savannah 2, Greenville 1
Toledo 5, Indy 4
South Carolina 3, Fort Wayne 0
Cincinnati 5, Wheeling 1
Allen 4, Rapid City 3
Idaho 1, Kansas City 0
Utah 5, Wichita 3

Latest line

NBA
Tuesday

Favorite	Pts.	Underdog
Cleveland	4½	at Orlando
Miami	11½	at Detroit
Milwaukee	12½	at Washington
Toronto	14½	at Charlotte
At Brooklyn	1½	Minnesota
At Chicago	4	Atlanta
At Philadelphia	2	Boston
Denver	10	at Houston
At Memphis	18	Portland
At New Orleans	2	Sacramento
LA Lakers	8	at Utah
At Golden State	7½	Oklahoma City
At Phoenix	18	San Antonio

NHL

Favorite	Line	Underdog	Line
At Florida	-195	Buffalo	+165
At Toronto	-380	Columbus	+300
Detroit	-115	at Montreal	-105
At Carolina	-275	Ottawa	+225
At New Jersey	-150	Pittsburgh	+130
At St. Louis	-135	Philadelphia	+115
Vegas	-125	at Nashville	+105
At Calgary	-425	Chicago	+325
Seattle	-115	at Vancouver	-105
Colorado	-235	at San Jose	+190
Edmonton	-125	at LA Kings	+105

Transactions

BASEBALL
NY Yankees: P Jhony Brito sent to minors.
Pittsburgh: P Edwin Uceta sent to minors. P Edwin Uceta acquired off waivers. P JT Brubaker transferred to 60-day IL.
San Francisco: P Sean Hjelle called up from minors. C Joey Bart placed on 10-day IL.
Washington: LF Stone Garrett called up from minors. LF Corey Dickerson placed on 10-day IL.
NFL
Jacksonville: RB Mekhi Sargent cut. T Cole Van Lanen re-signed/excl. FA.
Miami: TE Durham Smythe re-signed.
New Orleans: LB Andrew Dowell re-signed/unrest FA.
NHL
Boston: RW Oskar Steen sent to minors.
Columbus: G Jet Greaves called up from minors. G Jon Gillies, C Justin Richards sent to minors.
Dallas: D Thomas Harley called up from minors.
Los Angeles: D Tobias Bjornfot sent to minors.
Nashville: LW John Leonard called up from minors.
Philadelphia: D Ronnie Attard called up from minors.
Pittsburgh: RW Alex Nylander sent to minors.
San Jose: LW Danil Gushchin, C Kyle Criscuolo sent to minors.
St. Louis: G Vadim Zherenko called up from minors.

Soccer

MLS

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
FC Cincinnati	6	4	2	0	14
Atlanta	6	4	1	1	13
New England	6	4	1	1	13
Columbus	6	3	1	2	10
Nashville SC	6	3	1	2	10
NYCFC	6	2	2	2	8
Orlando	6	2	2	2	8
Philadelphia	6	2	1	3	7
Toronto FC	6	1	4	1	7
Inter Miami CF	6	2	0	4	6
Chicago FC	5	1	3	1	6
NY Red Bulls	6	1	3	2	6
D.C. United	6	1	2	3	5
Charlotte FC	6	1	2	3	5
CF Montreal	5	1	0	4	3

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	GP	W	D	L	Pts.
St. Louis City SC	6	5	0	1	15
Seattle FC	6	4	1	1	13
LAFC	5	3	2	0	11
Minnesota	5	3	2	0	11
San Jose	6	3	1	2	10
FC Dallas	6	2	2	2	8
Austin FC	5	2	1	2	7
Houston FC	5	2

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INDONESIA
DASHOW, Rodger Stephen

RAY, Jim

Founder of Mystic Scenic Studios and avid boater

Age 63, passed away on February 17, 2023, after a brief illness. Born in Detroit and raised in Livonia, MI, he was a high school quarterback until the coach made him choose between sports and theatre, and theatre won. He attended Boston University for a year, then graduated from The University of North Carolina School Of The Arts in 1982. After graduation, he returned to Boston, where a chance meeting on the T led him to the Technical Director position at the new Huntington Theatre, and to meeting his future wife, Natalie Jensen. A few years later, he started a side venture with Jon Hondorp, beginning with building a 40' high model of an Egyptian temple for the statue of Ramses II at the Museum of Science. This work quickly outgrew their spare time, and in 1989, they launched Mystic Scenic Studios in Jamaica Plain with a new Nutcracker set for the Boston Ballet as their first major project. The business moved to Dedham, and then to Norwood in 2004, and expanded to include all kinds of custom fabrication, including trade shows, museum exhibits, sets for television shows, store fixtures and occasional art works.

In his spare time, and especially after his retirement in 2017, Jim enjoyed construction projects and boating, and spent much of his time at the Hull Yacht Club indulging both passions. He spent several summers driving the HYC launch, and earned a Coast Guard 50 ton master's license in 2019. For 10 years he served as the organizer of the Great Chase Race, a fall sailing race with over a hundred boats in Hingham Bay, and in one memorable year he was co-owner and crew on the winning boat. In addition to years of weekly sailboat racing, he enjoyed travel with Natalie on a succession of sail and power boats, beginning with short trips around New England and culminating last summer in a three month voyage up the Hudson River and Lake Champlain to Montreal and back.

He will be deeply missed by his wife, Natalie Jensen of Dedham; his children, Julia Ray of Brooklyn, NY and Nicholas Ray of Asheville, NC; his brother, Douglas Ray and wife, Rebecca of Richland, WA; and by many other relatives and friends who will remember his ready smile, problem-solving expertise and willingness to lend a hand. He was predeceased by his parents, Benjamin and Mary Frances Ray. A Celebration of Life will take place at the Hull Yacht Club on July 1.

BROPHY, Lawrence E. "Larry"

Of Harwich, formerly of Hyde Park, March 29, 2023, after a brief illness. Nan E. (MacDougald) Brophy. Father of Patrick & Eileen Brophy of Dorchester, MA, Donald & Kerri Brophy of Melrose, MA, Jonathan L. Brophy & Simon Holguin of West Hollywood, California and David Brophy & Meghann Murray of Quincy, MA. Grandfather of Connor, Patrick, Kiera, Finbar, Aidan, Kendall & Quinn. Brother of Donald & Carole Brophy of The Villages, Florida, Carolyn & Bruce Coughlin of Framingham, MA, Charlie & Christine Brophy of Norwood, MA & Susan Brophy of Waltham, MA. Also survived by many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins and friends around the world. Family and friends will honor and remember Larry's life by gathering for Calling Hours in The Joyce Funeral Home, 245 Main Street (Rte. 20), WALTHAM, on Tuesday, April 4, from 4 to 7 p.m., and again at 9 a.m., on Wednesday morning, before leaving in procession to Saint Mary's Church, 133 School Street, Waltham, where his Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10 a.m. Burial is private. Those wishing to view the broadcast, and recording, of Larry's service please use this link: https://my.gather.app/remember/lawrence-brophy In lieu of flowers, a donation in Larry's memory may be made to https://thefamilypantry.com/Donate/General-Donation or a local charity of your choice that serves the needy. For complete obituary, guestbook and directions, please visit www.JoyceFuneralHome.com

CARNEY, Kevin P.

Of Waltham, MA and Conway, South Carolina, formerly of Billerica, MA, and Lexington, MA, March 29, 2023. Beloved husband of Cynthia R. Carney (Kaloustian). Predeceased by his first wife, Ann Marie Carney. Loving father of Kimberly Spiller and her husband, Mark of Tewksbury and Francis Carney and his wife, Marylou of Billerica. Devoted brother of Elizabeth MacKenzie of Lexington, Ruth Ann McLain of Billerica, Joan Carlson of Lexington, Patricia Gamache of Nashua, NH, Carol Doherty of Lexington, Paul Carney of Chelmsford, and the late Francis Carney and Margaret Mary Jackman. He is also survived by four grandchildren, Kayla, Kyle, Jack, and Annalise; and by many nieces and nephews.

Kevin was a machinist, he was a member of the U.S. Army Reserves, a lifetime member of the Lexington Elks, and an avid golfer.

Visiting Hours at the Douglass Funeral Home, 51 Worthen Rd., Lexington, Tuesday, April 11, from 4pm to 7pm. A Funeral Service will be held Wednesday, April 12, at 10am, at the funeral home. Relatives and friends are kindly invited. Donations in his memory may be made to the American Heart Association. Interment at St. Mary Cemetery in Tewksbury.

CAFFARELLA, Arthur F.

Of Saugus, age 91, April 1. Husband of the late Mary (Peters) Caffarella. Loving father of Donna Leggiero and her husband, Michael of Melrose, Catherine Caffarella of Middleboro, Nancy Caffarella of Malden and Phyllis Caffarella of Danvers. Cherished grandfather of Michael Leggiero, Jr. and his fiancée, Sarah and Daniel Leggiero and his wife, Nicole. Dear brother of Helen Gibbons of Reading and the late Edward P. Caffarella, Jr. and Alice Zamagni. Brother-in-law of Richard Peters of Reading. Late U.S. Army Korean War Vet. Relatives & friends are invited to attend Visiting Hours in the Bisbee-Porcella Funeral Home, 549 Lincoln Ave., SAUGUS, on Wednesday, 4-7 p.m. Funeral from the funeral home on Thursday, at 9 a.m., followed by a Funeral Service in Blessed Sacrament Church, 14 Summer St., Saugus, at 10 a.m. Interment in Riverside Cemetery, Saugus. In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to Mass. General North Shore Cancer Center @ giving.massgeneral.org For directions & condolences www.BisbeePorcella.com

CHIARENZA, Steven

Of Winter Garden, Florida, formerly of Medford, March 27, 2023. Beloved son of Gerri (DeLuca) Chiarenza and the late Joseph A. Chiarenza. Devoted brother of Joseph Chiarenza and his wife, Louise of Medford. Loving uncle of Ariana and Joseph Chiarenza. Dear long-time companion of Camilla Perez of Orlando, FL. A Funeral Service will be conducted in the Dello Russo Funeral Home, 306 Main St., MEDFORD, on Thursday, April 6, at 10 AM. Services will conclude with burial at Oak Grove Cemetery, Medford. Relatives and friends are respectfully invited to attend and may visit with the family at the funeral home on Wednesday, 4 to 8 PM. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in Steven's name to MSPCA-Angell, 350 South Huntington Ave., Boston, MA 02130. To leave a message of condolence, visit www.dellorusso.net

Dello Russo Family Funeral Homes
Medford-Woburn

DASHOW, Rodger Stephen

Passed away peacefully, in Bali, Indonesia, with his beloved wife, Ann Lenssen, by his side, on March 7, 2023.

Born in Detroit in 1942, to parents, Sally and Sam Dashow, Rodger Dashow received both his BA and MBA from the University of Michigan before settling in Boston. He was a skillful self-made entrepreneur and a visionary who prided himself on keeping his word and getting a job done right.

Rodger was interred in a traditional Balinese ceremony after being shortly hospitalized for Dengue Fever. Living a full life, he was surrounded by friends and family from near and far.

As a real estate manager and developer, Rodger contributed to Boston's charm. He was part of the project that rebuilt the historic Vendome after it was destroyed by fire in 1972, and worked on the Fort Point Channel, South Station area, where he oversaw the rehabilitation of numerous industrial properties, many of which had long been vacant.

As a young realtor working for the Codman Company, Rodger also played a key role in the establishment and growth of an art community in Boston. As an advocate for A.I.R., artists in residence, a long list of young artists in the late sixties and early seventies had their first live-work lofts due to his enterprising and imaginative approach.

He was handy too, having mastered a number of complicated mechanical skills. Rodger had an abiding passion for antique bikes and classic cars, which he meticulously restored himself. One could often see him motoring around the city in his three-wheeled Morgan or on an eye-catching motorcycle.

Rodger was a man of many passions and always interested in what the world had to offer. He was an intelligent and inveterate traveler, open to adventure, new cuisines, remote cultures and art. His residences were filled with the art and curiosities he had collected during his wide-ranging travels.

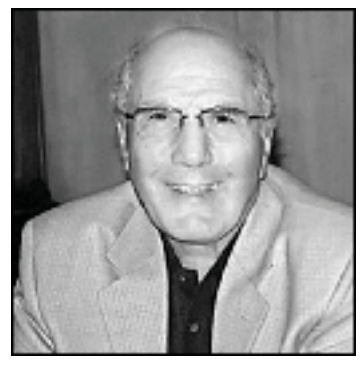
In the early 1980s, Rodger discovered Indonesia and began to assemble an impressive collection of traditional art from the world's largest archipelago. He was a supporter of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston and also lent his support in 1996 to a highly regarded exhibition and accompanying catalog, Protection, Power and Display, at Boston College. In 2015, selected pieces from his collection were handsomely published as Indonesian Tribal Art. He loved his collections and generously shared them with others.

He is survived by his wife, Ann Lenssen; daughter, Carrie Dashow (Suresh); son, Michael Ehrlich Dashow (Talia); grandchild, Zachary; and his brother, Dr. Edward Dashow of Tacoma, WA.

Rodger will be long-remembered in the many realms he once inhabited, from Boston to Bali and beyond. With an infectious twinkle in his eyes, he brought a wide array of interests and fellow-travelers his way; all were enriched by his friendship. Life was Rodger's canvas and he will be sorely missed by all.

Please consider a donation in memory of Rodger to The Tracing Patterns Foundation, (https://tracingpatterns.org/give/) promoting preservation of traditional Indonesian arts or to the Isabella Stuart Gardner Museum in Boston, https://tnew.gardnermuseum.org/donate/i/annual-fund

EID, Richard "Dick"



Age 89, passed away peacefully, on Saturday, April 1, in his home, surrounded by his loving family.

Dick was born and raised in Worcester, Massachusetts. He was a standout athlete at Classical High and Worcester Academy. He attended the University of Massachusetts, where he played baseball and basketball. He was named to the UMass All-Era Basketball Team and is a member of the Worcester Public Schools Athletic Hall of Fame.

Dick started his professional career at Hamilton Standard in Springfield, Massachusetts, where he met his loving wife, Joan (née Conley). A few years later, Dick stared his own insurance brokerage firm, based in Worcester, which he ran for over forty years.

Dick was active in several local and charitable organizations. He was the President of The Board of Trustees for Worcester City Hospital and a member of the Worcester Redevelopment Authority, the Worcester Airport Commission and the Kiwanis Club of Worcester. He was also an avid golfer, sports fan and cook, but will be remembered most for his deep love of family and friends.

He leaves behind his wife of 64 years, Joan; his daughter, Sharon (Leominster) and her husband, Frank Filizzola; his son, Rick (Los Angeles); Rick's wife, Natalie; his four grandchildren, Krista, Maggie, Jack and Karina; his sister, Carol Hadfield and her husband, James; as well many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. He was predeceased by his brothers, Joseph, Robert and Walter. Dick was the youngest son of the late Elias and Alice Eid, née Abusamra.

Calling Hours will be held from 10 to 11:30 a.m., on Thursday, April 6, at the Athy Memorial Home, 111 Lancaster Street, Worcester. Burial in Hope Cemetery will be private.

In lieu of flowers, gifts in memory of Dick may be made to the Susan M. Eid Memorial Research Fund at the Massachusetts General Hospital Cancer Center, to the attention of Maureen Perry in the MGH Development Office, 125 Nashua Street, Suite 540, Boston, MA 02114, with checks payable to MGH Cancer Center (or online as a tribute gift at https://giving.massgeneral.org/).

GRIFFIN, Luke A. Sr.

Of Wellesley, died on April 1, 2023 after a long period of declining health. He was 74.

Born in Woburn to the late Stephen and Helen Griffin, he grew up in Winchester. He attended Belmont Hill School, graduated from the University of Notre Dame in 1970 with a degree in Broadcast Journalism, and received his Master's degree from Boston University. Luke was an avid fan of all Boston sports. After graduating, he was able to pursue a career that aligned with his passion, working in sports radio at WCCM in Lawrence. It was there he met the love of his life Barbara, and they married in 1972. Shortly after, they moved to Iceland, where he was stationed at the Keflavik Naval Air Base and worked as a sports broadcaster. He was a U.S. Navy veteran. He went on to have a successful career at Mutual Broadcasting, WFAN in New York, and finally with the Red Sox Radio Network in Boston. His work allowed him to travel all over the country and the world, where he covered the 1980 and 1984 Winter Olympics, several Super Bowls, college bowl games and PGA tournaments.

During 35 years of marriage, Luke and Barbara enjoyed raising their five children, traveling, and making lifelong friends in all the places they lived. The loss of Barbara in 2007 to Lymphoma had a tremendous impact on him. He devoted much of his energy since then to support the Lymphoma Research Foundation, through proceeds he received from eBay sales of his sports memorabilia collection.

Luke made Wellesley his home for the past 25 years. He was active in the community of St. Paul's Church, where he regularly served as a Eucharistic Minister. He would also be seen frequently at the Post Office, or walking his best pal, Ernie the pug, around town. After retiring from broadcasting, he enjoyed working as a counselor at Hurley House in Waltham.

Luke was the devoted father of Stephen and his wife Julie of Wellesley, Luke, Jr. of San Diego, James and his partner Margaret Farmer of Red Hook, NY, Amy and her partner Eszter Hamori of Jamaica Plain, and Allison of Wellesley. He was a loving Grampy to granddaughters, Jacklyn and Reagan of Wellesley. He is also survived by his sister-in law, Audrey Meikle, and her husband, Robert of North Andover; and brothers-in-law, Ronald of North Andover, as well as Stephen and his wife Raquel of Pembroke Pines, FL. He is also survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews.

Visitation at the George F. Doherty & Sons Funeral Home, 477 Washington St., WELLESLEY, on Tuesday, April 4, from 4-8pm. Funeral from the funeral home on Wednesday, April 5, at 9am, followed by a Funeral Mass in St. Paul Church, Wellesley at 10am. Relatives and friends kindly invited. Interment in Woodlawn Cemetery, Wellesley. Expressions of sympathy can be made in Luke's name to Lymphoma Research Foundation, Wall Street Plaza, 88 Pine Street, #2400, New York, NY 10005 or Lymphoma.org For online guestbook, gfdoherty.com

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HOUGH, John "Jack"

Age 77, of North Andover, passed away peacefully, on Saturday, April 1, 2023, at his home, surrounded by his loving family. For a full obituary write up, the family asks for the general public to look for it at the Conte Funeral Home website, www.contefuneralhomes.com

A Wake will be held on Wednesday, April 5, 2023, from 4-8 pm at the Conte Funeral Home, 17 Third St., NORTH ANDOVER, MA. A Funeral Service will be held on Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 10 am at the funeral home.

JENNINGS, Peter F.

Of Framingham, formerly of Newton, suddenly, March 31, 2023. Peter was the husband of the late Paula (Procopio) Jennings; father of Amy and Peter; grandfather of Casey Jennings; brother of Cheryl Amendola, Malcolm Jennings and the late David. Visiting Hours are Thursday, 4-7 PM. For complete information, visit www.eatonandmackay.com

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LONDON, Abram M.

Of Boston, formerly of Wellesley, on Thursday, March 30, 2023. A healer extraordinaire. Cherished husband of Phyllis (Goldberg) London. Loving father of Jack & his wife, Diane and Jon & his wife, Anne, all of Wellesley. Adored grandfather of Emily, Julia, Benjamin, Emma & Jenna. Dear brother of Sara Libby Seletz. Services were private. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to the Abram M. London, MD Fund, Tufts University School of Medicine, 80 George St., Medford, MA 02155.

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MacDONALD, Irene Helen (Tobio)

Age 77, of Watertown, passed away peacefully, on April 1, 2023, after a lengthy illness. She was the beloved daughter of the late Salvatore and Angelina (Egizio) Tobio. Loving mother of Lynne MacDonald and the late Paula MacDonald. Dear sister of Louise Scalzi and Mary Tompkins both of Framingham, Ruth Tobio of Burlington, and the late Joan Dirienzo, John, Anthony, and Salvatore Tobio. Loving "nana" of Haley Roy MacDonald and Lili Palm. Former wife of the late Walter MacDonald, retired WPD. She also leaves behind several nieces, nephews, & cousins. Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend a Funeral Mass on Wednesday, April 5, in St. Patrick Church, 212 Main St., Watertown, at 10 AM. Please go directly to church. Interment in Ridgelawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Irene wishes donations be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, www.stjude.org

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MOLLOY, Dorothy Theresa (Martell)

Age 94, March 18, 2023. She was predeceased by husband, Thomas Patrick Molloy; parents, James and Helen (Evans) Martell; brothers, James and George Martell. Survived by son, Thomas (Maureen) Molloy; daughters, Donna Molloy, Janet Molloy, Debra Green and her partner, Scott Robertson. Sister, Helen Hale; six great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews. A private Graveside Service will occur in the Spring. Memorial donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

NICOLSON, Murray

Age 84, of Concord, passed away, on April 1, 2023, surrounded by his beloved family. He leaves behind his loving and devoted wife of 61 years, Barbara (Jones) Nicolson; his son, Edward Nicolson and his wife, Valerie of San Francisco, CA; three grandchildren, Eleanor, Walter and James Nicolson; and his brother, David Nicolson and his wife, Liz of Edinburgh, Scotland. He was predeceased by his son, Stephen Murray Nicolson. Funeral Service at St. Anne's in-the-Fields Episcopal Church, 147 Concord Road, Lincoln, on Tuesday, April 11, at 11 am. Services will conclude with a reception in the parish hall and burial at Sleepy Hollow Cemetery, Concord. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to St. Anne's in-the-Fields Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 6, Lincoln, MA 01773. For his full obituary and online guestbook, visit www.DeeFuneralHome.com

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WEIL, Esther Kirkland

Passed away peacefully from pneumonia in the early hours of Sunday, April 2, 2023. She was a resident of Amory House in Brookline, MA, for the last twenty years and most recently, Chestnut Park at Cleveland Circle in Brighton, MA.

Esther was beloved by her two daughters, Janna Weil and Alex Borns-Weil; her daughter-in-law, Stephanie Borns-Weil; grandson, Yonah Borns-Weil; nieces, Penny Gembarosky, Susan Larson; and their families, as well as dear friends made over the course of her lifetime. She was preceded in death by 3 older sisters and a niece, Karen Moore.

Born in western Pennsylvania, Esther lived in numerous locations around the U.S. and Europe. She was known for her curious intellect, warm wit, and roving spirit. Her easy smile, analytical mind and lifelong pursuit of learning made her an easy forger of friendships. Esther was an avid lover of animals and devoted mother and grandmother.

Memorial donations can be made to Heifer International or MSPCA Angell.

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WHITE, Sister Margaret, SC

Sister Margaret White (Sister Margaret Pauline), beloved Sister of Charity, Halifax for 74 years, entered peacefully into eternal life on March 30, 2023 at Elizabeth Seton Residence, Wellesley, MA. Devoted daughter of the late John J. and Pauline (Wolter) White, she was the youngest of seven children, Evelyn White Valzania, Pauline White O'Brien, Mary White Williams, John White, Eileen White Comeau and Richard White, all now deceased. She leaves 31 devoted nieces and nephews and their families, and her sisters in the congregation. Sister Margaret (Peggy) was missioned in both the Canada and the United States throughout her time in ministry. She was, first and foremost, an educator and loved teaching grades three through eight, beginning at Our Lady of Good Counsel School in Staten Island, New York and Holy Savior School in Westmont, New Jersey. Sister Margaret was then missioned to Saint Agnes School, New Waterford, Nova Scotia, Sainte Foy School in Quebec and Saint Theresa School in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Her last formal teaching assignment was Saint Francis of Assisi School in Medford, MA. Sister Peggy spent several years at Immaculate Conception Convent in Winchester, MA before retiring to Marillac Residence at Mount Saint Vincent, Wellesley, MA. During her many years of service, Sister Margaret also taught religious education classes in several of the parishes. Her dedication as a Sister of Charity, Halifax was evidenced in the many ways she contributed to the life of her sisters in the various local communities in which she lived. She also had a strong social consciousness and, in her own quiet way, worked to bring about greater awareness of critical social justice issues. A Wake and Prayer Service will take place on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 at Mount Saint Vincent, 125 Oakland Street, Wellesley, MA at 9:30 am, with a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00 AM. Interment will take place at Saint Mary Cemetery, Needham, MA immediately following the Mass. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Sister Margaret White may be made to the Sisters of Charity Retirement Center, 125 Oakland Street, Wellesley, MA 02481.

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Candles burned next to a portrait of Emahoy Tsegué-Maryam Guèbrou during her funeral on March 31 in Jerusalem.

Emahoy Tsegué-Maryam Guèbrou, 99, nun, virtuoso

By Brian Murphy
WASHINGTON POST

Emahoy Tsegué-Maryam Guèbrou, a classically trained musician who once abandoned music for a hermit-like life as nun in her native Ethiopia and later returned to the piano with a genre-defying blend of Western and Ethiopian influences, died March 26 at her convent in Jerusalem. She was 99.

Her niece, Hanna Kebbede, confirmed the death but did not give a cause.

The styles explored by Sister Guèbrou (the title Emahoy is equivalent to "Sister" for a nun) were so singular in sound and structure that music scholars often puzzled over the main source of her inspiration — seamlessly mixing forms such as jazz, chamber music, and rhythmic flow from her homeland.

Sister Guèbrou did not offer much help as a guide. She rarely gave interviews or performances, mostly letting the music speak for itself in four albums and various compilations since the 1960s. Her work was brought to a larger audience in recent years on the soundtrack for the Oscar-nominated documentary "Time" (2020) about a two-decade saga for an inmate and his family; and as music on the Netflix race-and-prejudice drama "Passing" (2021).

Sister Guèbrou, meanwhile, spent long stretches in solitude inside the Ethiopian Monastery of Debre Genet, or Sanctuary of Paradise, in Jerusalem, where she lived since 1984 in a single room adorned with her artwork of icons and angels. There also were portraits of former Ethiopian emperor Haile Selassie, whom Sister Guèbrou once sang for when she was a teenager.

In her few specific comments on her musical influences, she expressed admiration for the European classical canon including Frédéric Chopin and Johann Strauss. Yet she stayed rooted in the five-note melodic runs common in Ethiopian music, while also exploring the flowing richness of Eastern Orthodox chants or the distinctly American sounds such as jazz or the old-timey snap of ragtime.

The overall effect was often bright and cascading but always reaching to bridge musical traditions. Sister Guèbrou said her main aspiration was to "praise God" with her music, including pieces such as "The Jordan River Song" (1970).

There was a decade, however, when Sister Guèbrou played nothing at all.

She was a rising young talent as a teen, studying for two years under Polish violinist Alexander Kontorowicz in Cairo and then was offered a scholarship to London's Royal Academy of Music. Sister Guèbrou never made clear what happened next. For some reason, she was blocked by Selassie's government from traveling to London.

She was devastated. For nearly two weeks, she refused to eat. She ended up in a hospital in Ethiopia's capital, Addis Ababa. Her family feared she was near death. Weak and ailing, Sister Guèbrou said she slept for an entire day.

"When I wake up, I had a peaceful mind," she told the BBC in 2017. "I was changed. And I didn't care for anything."

She left music behind. At 19, she joined the Gishen Mariam monastery in Ethiopia's northern highlands. For the next decade, she barely left the monastery grounds, where she slept in a hut on a dried-mud bed. She noticed many of the nuns and monks were barefoot. She gave up shoes as well.

She had already experienced huge swings in her life. She was raised in privilege in a family that had deep connections in the Ethiopian royal court, including her father's work in diplomatic and liaison roles. She and her sister, Senedu, attended a Swiss boarding school and soaked in Western music and art.

After Italian forces under Benito Mussolini invaded Ethiopia in 1935, Sister Guèbrou and her family were placed under house arrest and later sent to prisoner-of-war camps in Italy for two years. Three of her brothers were killed in the fighting. (She composed the 1963 piece, "The Ballad of the Spirit," in their memory.)

After about a decade at the monastery, she returned to Addis Ababa. At nearly 30 years old, she decided to see how her fingers felt back on the piano keys. The music flowed. Now, however, it was more infused with the meditative sounds and chants from the monastery.

"I said to myself, 'I have nothing. I have music,'" she recalled. "I will try to do something with this music."

She traveled to Germany in the 1960s to make her first recordings. The piano she used, the studio technician said, was once played by Mozart. The sales from her 1967 album, "Spielt Eigene Kompositionen," roughly "Plays Her Own Compositions," were donated to Ethiopian charities.

In 1974, a coup toppled Selassie and ended Ethiopia's monarchy. Anyone favored by the ousted royal regime, including Sister Guèbrou and her family, were now under suspicion and closely monitored. When Sister Guèbrou's mother died in 1984, she moved permanently to the monastery in Jerusalem, always seen in public in the flowing religious garb that covered her head.

Sister Guèbrou's few performances included a July 2008 recital at the Jewish Community Center in Washington, strengthening her ties to the area's Ethiopian community. The Emahoy Tsege Mariam Music Foundation helps cover the cost of musical study for children in Africa and the Washington region.

Yewubdar Gebru was born Dec. 12, 1923, in Addis Ababa and received her first violin as a Christmas present. After returning from boarding school, the extent of her musical talent was clear. Even in the POW camps, she hunted for any instrument to play.

Her music studies in Cairo — approved by Selassie — ended when she developed health problems blamed on Cairo's summer heat. Back in Ethiopia, she practiced with the band of the Imperial Guard and received permission from Selassie to become a translator in Ethiopia's foreign ministry, the first woman to such a post.

She composed more than 150 pieces for piano, organ, opera, and chamber ensembles.

In addition to her niece Kebbede of Falls Church, Va., survivors include a nephew, Daniel Assefa, of Alexandria, Va. Both are affiliated with the Emahoy Tsege Mariam Music Foundation.

Sister Guèbrou said some nuns in the Jerusalem convent initially raised objections when they heard her practice on the piano, saying the music was a distraction from monastic life. Eventually, the complaints stopped.

"You can praise God with any instrument," she said. "It is a classical music. It's not a music for dancing or song. They shouldn't be against it."

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Yang Bing-yi, acclaimed dumpling restaurateur

By Harrison Smith
WASHINGTON POST

Long after his restaurant chain, Din Tai Fung, became a favorite of casual diners, elite food critics, and anyone else looking for a good meal, Yang Bing-yi recalled that when he first got into the restaurant business, in Taiwan in 1972, he "knew nothing" about the art of making Shanghai-style dishes such as xiao long bao, the steamed soup dumplings that he helped popularize worldwide.

Still, he was more than willing to learn in the kitchen.

Mr. Yang and his wife, Lai Pen-mei, had been running a cooking-oil company for more than a decade, selling peanut and sesame oil to restaurants and hotels. When orders started to decline, a friend suggested that the Yangs start making dim sum, with a focus on Shanghai cuisine since it was already popular in Taipei.

Partnering with his wife and two hired chefs, Mr. Yang began selling noodles and delicate, handmade soup dumplings from his company's narrow building on Xinyi Road. He and his family grew the restaurant from four tables to more than 250 seats, establishing Din Tai Fung as one of Taiwan's most popular dining destinations — even as a signboard near the entrance, an out-of-date relic from the business's early years, continued to identify the storefront as an oil shop.

Mr. Yang, who died in March at 96, built Din Tai Fung into a soup-dumpling empire, working with his sons as the restaurant chain expanded overseas. The company now has more than 170 locations in 13 countries, including the United States, where the restaurant's signature dish has drawn acclaim from food critics including Jonathan Gold of the Los Angeles Times.

"The xiao long bao are small miracles; plump, round spheres soft yet firm to the touch, delicately fragranced," Gold wrote in 2013, after the chain's latest outpost opened in Glendale, Calif. "When you pop one into your mouth, perhaps having wetted it first with a drop of black vinegar, it bursts into a mouthful of broth — boiling liquid if you haven't allowed it to cool — transforming the filling of meat and aromatics into a loose, savory purée that melts away like pork-scented air."

Mr. Yang's restaurant chain became a symbol of Taiwanese culture, with fans that included Taiwanese politicians and military leaders such as Chiang Wei-kuo, a son of Chiang Kai-shek, and Lien Chan, a head of the Nationalist Party.

By 2007, the company was reporting revenue of about $22 million and rolling roughly 15 million dumplings a year. Even as it expanded overseas, the chain maintained a reputation for excellence and consistency — in 2010, its first Hong Kong location earned a coveted Michelin star — in part because of an elaborate training program. Employees were instructed not just on basics such as how to fold dough and chop vegetables, but also "how to brush their teeth correctly and smile properly," according to ABC News.

Western tourists were increasingly drawn to his flagship restaurant after it was featured in a 1993 New York Times list of 10 "restaurants that inspire a pilgrimage."

The review's author, Chinese American chef Ken Hom, still vividly remembered his visit nearly two decades later. "I was in food heaven," he told an interviewer. "It was perfection."

He had retired in the early 2000s, after he and his wife unsuccessfully tried to keep their sons Warren and Frank from going into the family business.

"They said, 'Just get a regular job where you don't have to work on the weekends,'" Frank recalled in a 2002 interview with the Los Angeles Times. He couldn't help himself, he said, and opened the chain's first US location in Arcadia, Calif.

His older brother, Warren, succeeded their father as head of the company.

Frank O'Brien photographed Boston Bruins off ice (Bobby Orr, far left, and Joe Watson inside their Nahant apartment in 1966) and on (left winger John Bucyk, above, has the puck knocked away by Montreal Canadiens goalie Ken Dryden during a game in Boston in 1972).

Frank O'Brien, 82, Globe sports photographer who 'dared to be different'

By Bryan Marquard
GLOBE STAFF

Frank O'Brien, arms outstretched, on the truck carrying photographers during a Boston Marathon in the mid-1970s.

A sports-happy kid from Dorchester, Frank O'Brien was 10 in 1951 when he stepped into the New England Sportsmen's Show in the Back Bay and joined a long line of fans waiting to collect autographs.

Reaching the front, he found himself "face-to-face with Jim Thorpe," the then-aging Olympic gold medalist. Mr. O'Brien was there for someone else, though.

"He signed my piece of paper and passed it to the right ... to Ted Williams," Mr. O'Brien recalled in a 1971 Boston Globe interview. "It was one of the most exciting moments of my life."

Life would offer other encounters to rival that boyhood brush with sports immortality, including meeting Williams again as an adult, when Mr. O'Brien was on assignment during his 43-year career as an award-winning Globe photographer.

Mr. O'Brien, who kept a boyish face and enthusiasm for sports into his final years, was in hospice care for cancer when he died Thursday in his Canton home, on his 82nd birthday.

Many of his photos were as memorable as the moments he captured: Larry Bird puffing coach Red Auerbach's cigar after the Celtics won the 1981 NBA championship; the US men's hockey team "Miracle on Ice" victory in the 1980 Winter Olympics; Bobby Orr's overtime goal that gave the Bruins the Stanley Cup in 1970.

Fans may have clipped and saved those photos, but Mr. O'Brien was also a master of capturing iconic figures in non-iconic moments, such as when he traveled in 1969 to spring training in Florida to photograph Williams, who had just taken over as manager of the Washington Senators.

"I must have taken over 100 pictures that day, just of Williams's face, and I was pleased," Mr. O'Brien recounted in an as-told-to piece written by the Globe's Leigh Montville.

Though Williams could be intimidating — "he looked like John Wayne, talked like John Wayne, indeed bellowed like John Wayne" — on the baseball field "he was an easy subject," Mr. O'Brien added. "He shouted, smiled, frowned, did all the things that help me make my money. I was happy."

Starting out as a photographer nearly 60 years ago, Mr. O'Brien "came from the old school. He was birthed there, but he quickly expanded the technique," said George Rizer, a retired Globe photographer who sought a job with the newspaper in no small part because he wanted to be like Mr. O'Brien, who became his friend.

"Frank had to make the basic shot for the news job, obviously — the play at the plate — but he was always looking for something else," Rizer said.

"He set the standard for a lot of us here," Rizer added. "He was the beginning of the 'new gen' of sports shooter, I call it. He dared to be different."

Before cable TV and the Internet brought 24/7 sports and endless replays into everyone's home and hands, the work of photographers such as Mr. O'Brien was as close as many fans got to Fenway Park, the old Boston Garden, or a mud-caked football player rising from a rain-soaked field.

Rubbing shoulders with sports stars for decades wasn't something Mr. O'Brien wore on his sleeve, however.

"He was very unassuming about what he did for work," said Maureen, his wife of 39 years. "People used to always want to talk with him — 'Wow, that must be great.' He loved what he did, he loved every minute of it, but until people asked him, he never spoke about it."

Born on March 29, 1941, Mr. O'Brien grew up in the Neponset section of Dorchester, the son of Francis O'Brien, a mailer at the Boston Herald, and Mary Walsh O'Brien, who worked in the business office at Gillette.

The older of two siblings — his sister, Rosemary Coffey of Braintree, died in 2019 — Mr. O'Brien graduated from Cathedral High School and formed Neponset friendships to last a lifetime.

He attended St. Ann's Church in the neighborhood, was part of St. Ann's Band, and acted in New Neponset Players productions.

With several neighborhood friends, he also helped found the Line Club when they rented a place along Neponset Avenue and for 38 years operated a private club where friends could gather, have a drink, watch a game, and converse.

Previously, the originals would hang out at a nearby Howard Johnson's restaurant until someone suggested they head to a bar across the street from a bowling alley.

"One of the guys would say, 'You want to go up the line?' " recalled Dave Gilmartin of Brewster, a friend since their Neponset youth. The expression stuck when they named the club. "It was a way for us to keep everybody together," Gilmartin said, "which we did."

Mr. O'Brien "was very social," said his daughter Dyanne, who lives in the Brookline part of Chestnut Hill.

"He always had a lot of friends," she said. "He had friends that he was friends with in first grade. It's nice to see that."

Mr. O'Brien's first marriage, to Joan McIntyre of Braintree, ended in divorce. They had four daughters.

He served in the Army National Guard and his father helped arrange a job interview with the Globe.

Mr. O'Brien initially worked in the advertising department, but wanted to be a photographer and grabbed the chance to shoot photos full-time when the Globe wanted more coverage of the Red Sox in 1967, the "Impossible Dream" year.

"He never had any schooling for it," his wife said. "He picked it up as he went along."

Even though he often was on the road with teams, "he was a good dad," said Dyanne — so devoted that his daughters "didn't appreciate what he was doing until others we knew appreciated him. Boys in our classes would say, 'Oh, your dad had the best picture in the paper of so-and-so.' "

Her sister Beth, who lives in Neponset, would "open the sports pages to see if any of my dad's pictures were in the paper, as if it was nothing. I never realized how big of a deal my dad was until I was older."

He didn't make a fuss about his legendary photos, either.

"My dad didn't have one picture that he took up in his house. Not one," Beth said. "They're all in the basement, in a box."

A funeral Mass was said Monday for Mr. O'Brien in St. Ann's Church.

In addition to his wife and two daughters, he leaves two other daughters, Jody McEachern of Neponset and Kristin of Boston; 10 grandchildren; and a great-granddaughter.

Mr. O'Brien and Maureen Higgins met at the Globe, where she is an executive assistant for the senior management team, and married after dating for a year.

They divided their time between Canton and Fort Myers, Fla., a warmer place for golfing in colder months.

"Family was always very important to him," Maureen said, "and he was a perfectionist in what he did, all the time."

As a working photographer, Mr. O'Brien was understandably awestruck when he shook the hand of his boyhood idol Ted Williams, but when he held a camera to his eye, work was primary — even when photographing Red Sox players after their heartbreaking seventh-game loss in the 1967 World Series.

"It was my job to make pictures," he recalled in a Globe interview, 50 years later, "it wasn't my job to be crushed."

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Royston Ellis, a bridge between Beat poets and the Beatles; at 82

By Alex Williams
NEW YORK TIMES

Royston Ellis, a British Beat poet who rose to fame with spoken-word performances to a rock 'n' roll accompaniment, including gigs with the Beatles and Jimmy Page before they were famous, died Feb. 27 in Induruwa, Sri Lanka. He was 82.

His death, in a hospital, was announced in a Facebook post by his longtime assistant and close friend, Neel Jayantja Pathitrana. Emmalena Ellis, a grandniece, said the cause was heart failure.

Over the course of a six-decade career, Mr. Ellis was as peripatetic as he was prolific: He published more than 60 books, including poetry compilations, novels, travel books, and memoirs of his time in the limelight.

Nevertheless, he is best remembered for his forays into what he called "rocketry": rock-accompanied poetry readings that bridged the jazz-soaked Beat era of the 1950s and the chaotic rock 'n' roll era that would soon shake the '60s.

Mr. Ellis was still in his late teens when he published two highly regarded books of poetry, "Jiving to Gyp" (1959) and "Rave" (1960). Their success vaulted him into regular appearances on British television and radio, often accompanied by the Shadows, British rock star Cliff Richard's backing band.

With his shaggy hair, hepcat beard, and racy poems touching on British youth's anxieties, dreams of freedom, and lust, he was hailed as Britain's answer to Allen Ginsberg and Jack Kerouac, which raised eyebrows among some guardians of traditional British values. (The Daily Mirror once referred to him as "a weirdie from Weirdsville.")

Pushback from the squares only raised his rebel appeal among the young. "Hard on the heels of the American 'Beat generation' comes an 18-year-old from Hatch End, and in his own circles he has caused a minor revolution," a 1959 profile of him in The Harrow Observer and Gazette began. With poetry that is "indicative of the young people in the world today," the article continued, "he seeks to capture their restless, unsettled imaginations."

By 1961, he had become an important enough voice to discuss the state of poetry on television with John Betjeman, who would later be named Britain's poet laureate. Over an ethereal electric guitar accompaniment, Mr. Ellis read his poem "Lumbering Now," about furtive love between young people in a movie theater:

A long-haired, idle, unbound boy/ And a glorious carefree maiden/ Slumped in the front row of the stalls/ Content with the lumbering harmony/ Of their own idea of love.

He then explained his philosophy of poetry. "Rhyme I'm not so sure about," he said. "I find at times it makes a poem rather lethargic; you know, no drive behind it."

There was plenty of drive whenever teenage guitarist Jimmy Page, an ardent fan of Mr. Ellis's poetry who would become known for his work with the Yardbirds and Led Zeppelin, backed his readings.

"When I was offered the chance to back Royston, I jumped at the opportunity," Page wrote in the foreword to "Gone Man Squared," a 2013 compilation of Mr. Ellis's poetry and one of several of Mr. Ellis's books unearthed in recent years by Miriam Linna's company Kicks Books.

As his fame grew, Mr. Ellis traveled to Moscow to read his poetry onstage with celebrated Russian poet Yevgeny Yevtushenko, and jetted off to the Canary Islands to act in "Wonderful Life," a 1964 film starring Cliff Richard. But it was his encounters with the Beatles that would become an inextricable part of the Royston Ellis story.

Christopher Royston George Ellis was born Feb. 10, 1941, in Pinner, a suburban hamlet northwest of London. He was the youngest of three sons of John Ellis, a bank clerk, and Georgina (Ryall) Ellis, a secretary.

His preternatural command of language was evident by the time he was 5, as an adult cousin from Canada noted in a letter to his mother after visiting England. "He sure talks a blue streak," the cousin said, "and when he talks one would almost think he was a speaking dictionary."

Mr. Ellis attended the Harrow Weald County School, but dropped out at 16 to focus on his writing. Weaving his way into the bohemian underground of the Soho district of London, he was quickly drawing comparisons to the American Beat poets, although he later cited influences closer to home, in particular British poet Christopher Logue, who provided inspiration with his "jazzetry" — poems read to a jazz accompaniment.

In May 1960, Mr. Ellis headed north for a reading at the University of Liverpool. Once in town, he dropped into the Jacaranda, a coffee bar popular with local youth, and "got talking to a boy, George, in a striped matelot T-shirt and black leather jacket who told me his friends played music," he later recalled in an interview with the website Classic Bands.

George (last name Harrison) suggested that they head to 3 Gambier Terrace, the home of John Lennon, the leader of the band that had been calling itself the Silver Beetles. During his stay in Liverpool, Mr. Ellis befriended the rest of the band, which ended up backing him in a reading in the Jacaranda basement.

The future moptops were fascinated by this louche literary star in their midst, soaking up his views on poetry, music, and sex, as recounted in "Tune In" (2013), a history of the Beatles' early years by Mark Lewisohn.

Mr. Ellis invited the Beatles to London to perform with him on television, although a scheduling conflict prevented the band from appearing. In the following years, as the Beatles became superstars, Mr. Ellis took his own new direction: He traveled the world as a journalist and novelist, settling at various points in the Canary Islands, Greece, Turkey, the Dominican Republic, and ultimately, Sri Lanka.

He is survived by a son, Eddie, and a brother, Derek.

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Vanity clashes with common sense in the Ozempic era

Why I take one of the new diet drugs that's not really meant for me

LARRY EDELMAN

TRENDLINES

In weight-fixated America, every Monday brings the opportunity for a fresh start.

"From now on I'm going to eat less and exercise more." That's the pledge I've made — and invariably broken — countless times after a weekend of excess.

Honestly, it's hard to know which is more hazardous to my health: an extra 30 pounds or the perpetual, demoralizing swings between hope and disgust.

Exploiting that hope is a lucrative business, one that's rapidly expanding amid yet another diet craze — this one sparked by a new generation of obesity drugs, including the one I inject myself with daily.

The new treatments hold much promise for people whose health is seriously compromised by too much weight — but that promise must be discounted against the high cost of the drugs, medical risks, and petabytes of research data that show how fleeting weight loss can be.

A few key stats for context:

■ An estimated 42 percent of American adults are considered obese based on the widely used but flawed measure known as the body-mass index.

■ The annual cost of chronic diseases caused by obesity and excess weight was $1.72 trillion in the United States in 2016, according to a Milken Institute study.

■ Global sales of new obesity drugs will reach anywhere from $30 billion to $50 billion a year by 2030, depending on whose forecast you trust.

The current market leader is semaglutide, which was developed by Novo Nordisk, a Danish pharma company with its global R&D hub in Cambridge. It's among a class of drugs called glucagon-like peptide-1, or GLP-1, that triggers the release of insulin to treat diabetes.

Novo launched semaglutide as the injectable diabetes treatment Ozempic in 2017. But as you may have heard, Ozempic became the off-label diet drug of choice for anyone who is anyone. That's because semaglutide also limits appetite and makes you feel full by triggering the release of insulin.

Four years later Novo won approval to market semaglutide for weight loss, under the brand Wegovy, but many people continue to finagle Ozempic — as well as a Novo diabetes pill called Rebelsus — to help shed unwanted pounds. (The same is true for Trulicity, a diabetes drug made by Eli Lilly.)

Now, I've tried my share of diets, from old-school Weight Watchers to keto to newer apps Lose It and Noom. I've lost 50 pounds twice in my life, only to gain it back — a roller coaster many people ride for much of

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I'm fortunate that my health insurance covers almost all of the cost. I pay

$40 a month

for Saxenda pens and needles, a tab that would top

$1,900 without coverage.

Biotechs advance sickle cell therapy

3d firm also could file soon with FDA

By Adam Feuerstein
STAT

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The first CRISPR treatment for sickle cell disease has been submitted to the Food and Drug Administration, beating a rival gene therapy that's been delayed due to a manufacturing issue.

On Monday, Vertex Pharmaceuticals and its partner, CRISPR Therapeutics, said they had met their previously announced goal of filing by the end of March a marketing application for their therapy known as exa-cel. In addition to sickle cell disease, the two Boston companies are seeking approval to treat beta-thalassemia, another type of inherited blood disease, but one that's rarer in the United States.

The submission gives Vertex and CRISPR Therapeutics an early lead over Bluebird Bio, which missed a first-quarter deadline to file FDA paperwork for its sickle cell gene therapy, called lovocel. Bluebird, based in Cambridge, said last week its application is complete but can't be formally filed until the FDA provides the company with additional clearance for a step in its manufacturing process. The agency could take a few weeks to respond, Bluebird said, although there's no firm timeline.

The race pitting Vertex and CRISPR against Bluebird Bio is unusual for the field of genetic medicines because of the potential to offer competing methods to permanently correct the DNA of damaged blood cells in people born with

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Business groups up their focus on supplier diversity

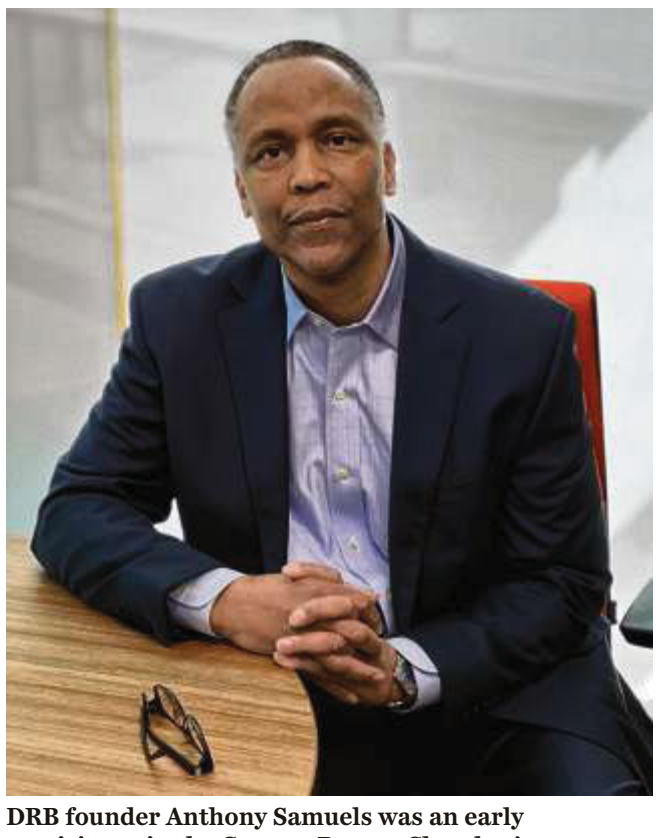
New tool assesses supply chain efforts

By Jon Chesto
GLOBE STAFF

Major Boston business groups are stepping up their efforts to help members improve the diversity of their supply chains, with the Massachusetts Competitive Partnership becoming the latest to join the fray.

The partnership, a group of high-powered CEOs, has unveiled an online survey that it will make available for free to companies to assess and improve their supplier diversity efforts with a series of measurable standards. The partnership used this survey to poll its own members, who run many of the biggest employers in the state, and found that 12 of 16 already have mature or somewhat mature supplier diversity programs.

In a coincidence that underscores the issue's importance in the local business community, there were dueling panels held last Wednesday to address supplier diversity. In the morning, Associated Industries of Massachusetts held its second annual supplier diversity forum at Microsoft's office in Cambridge. Then, in the afternoon, the Competitive Partnership held a virtual roundtable to discuss its survey data and online assessment tool.



DRB founder Anthony Samuels was an early participant in the Greater Boston Chamber's Pacesetters program.

One recurring theme: how tough it has been for companies to line up contracts with minority-owned businesses. AIM's supplier diversity program, known as AIM Business Connect, has generated a dozen such contracts in its first year, a figure that also includes con-

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$204m

Worth of contracts placed with Mass. businesses owned by people of color in 2021 through the Pacesetters program, a 20 percent increase from 2020.

BOLD TYPES

Fanfare for new Berklee president, 21 months after she started the job

By Jon Chesto
GLOBE STAFF

Erica Muhl has been president at **Berklee College of Music** for nearly two years. So why is her inauguration just happening this week?

If you're the fourth-ever president of Boston's famous music school, and the first woman, the Berklee-appropriate celebration would be a concert or two. That certainly wasn't happening in the early days of the COVID-19 pandemic, in 2020 when Muhl was recruited from the **University of Southern California**, where she spent 30 years. And it wasn't happening much in the summer of 2021, when she actually took office at Berklee, succeeding **Roger Brown**.

But the performance scene is back in full swing, and Muhl is ready. She'll give an inaugural address at Fenway's **MGM Music Hall** on Tuesday morning, an event that will feature several musical tributes. That night, Berklee musicians will perform a tribute to **Alicia Keys**, also at the MGM Music Hall. The events follow a scheduled "Berklee Inauguration Symphony Orchestra" performance on Monday at **Symphony Hall** that will include compositions of Muhl's, as well as those of **Joan Tower** and **Samuel Barber**.

"We knew that performance was going to be a big part of this inauguration," Muhl said. "We all felt it was better to wait until we were fairly sure of being able to book concert venues."

Erica Muhl, a composer and conductor, is president of Berklee College of Music.

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As her second school year as president winds down, Muhl can already point to successes. She is expanding a holistic approach to student care, called the Berklee Bridge, that will provide coordinated services for all 7,500 undergrads across a range of academic, health, and financial areas. Work is underway on a new dorm conversion at 12 Hemenway St., scheduled to be done this fall, and an expansion of the school's campus in Valencia, Spain.

Muhl is also looking at ways to lower the cost of a Berklee degree by exploring hybrid options that would blend online

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Index of publicly traded companies in Massachusetts

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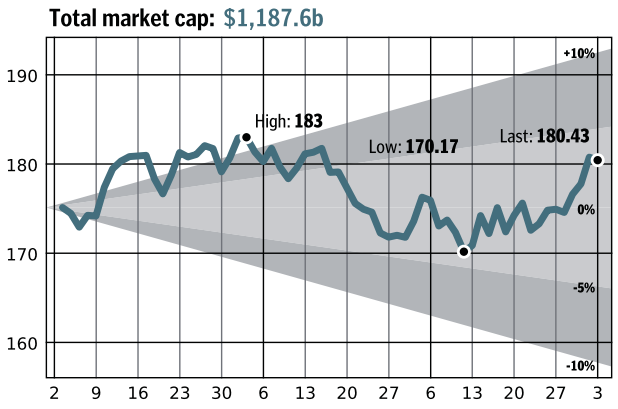
Total market cap: $1,187.6b



Yesterday 180.43 ▼ 0.34 ▼ 0.2% ▲ YTD 3.0%

	Price	Chg	% chg	Market cap (bil.)
Thermo Fisher Sci (TMO)	570.07	-6.30	-1.1	219.7
General Electric (GE)	96.92	+1.32	+1.4	105.7
Analog Devices (ADI)	196.28	-0.94	-0.5	99.3
American Tower Corp (AMT)	201.10	-3.24	-1.6	93.6
TJX Cos Inc (TJX)	78.86	+0.50	+0.6	90.9
Vertex Pharma (VRTX)	316.33	+1.26	+0.4	81.3
Boston Scientific (BSX)	49.72	-0.31	-0.6	71.5
Moderna Inc (MRNA)	159.48	+5.90	+3.8	61.5
Keurig Dr Pepper Inc (KDP)	35.39	+0.11	+0.3	49.8
Biogen Inc (BIIB)	277.34	-0.69	-0.2	40.1
Eversource (ES)	77.41	-0.85	-1.1	27.0
State Street Corp (STT)	75.46	-0.23	-0.3	26.0
Alnylam Pharma (ALNY)	200.70	+0.38	+0.2	24.9
Insulet Corp (PODD)	318.84	-0.12	-0.0	22.2
HubSpot Inc (HUBS)	420.10	-8.65	-2.0	20.7
Hologic Inc (HOLX)	80.58	-0.12	-0.1	19.9
Waters Corp (WAT)	307.46	-2.17	-0.7	18.1
Teradyne Inc (TER)	106.80	-0.71	-0.7	16.7
PerkinElmer Inc (PKI)	131.37	-1.89	-1.4	16.6
LPL Financial (LPLA)	197.59	-4.81	-2.4	15.5
Iron Mountain (IRM)	53.01	+0.10	+0.2	15.5
PTC (PTC)	128.07	-0.16	-0.1	15.1
Akamai (AKAM)	77.88	-0.42	-0.5	12.2
Sarepta Therapeutics Inc (SRPT)	137.55	-0.28	-0.2	12.1
Entegris Inc (ENTG)	78.70	-3.31	-4.0	11.8

Markets

Stocks mixed on inflation worries

Stock markets around the world were mixed Monday, as a jump in oil prices threatens to add upward pressure on inflation. Oil jumped 6.3 percent after Saudi Arabia and other crude-producing countries said over the weekend they would cut production. That lifted stocks of energy companies, including a 5.9 percent rise for Exxon Mobil, 9.9 percent leap for Marathon Oil, and 4.3 percent gain for BP. While oil's jump helps energy producers, it also weighs on much of the rest of the market. Beyond raising gasoline prices and other costs for everyone, it also dents one of the main themes that helped stocks rise in this year's just completed first quarter: that turmoil in the banking system and a continued slowdown in inflation could push the Federal Reserve to ease its hikes to interest rates. After Monday's leap for oil prices, bets built that the Fed may hike rates by another quarter of a percentage point in May, according to CME Group. Short-term Treasury yields initially rose on such expectations, though they eased following the release of a disappointing report on the US economy. It showed manufacturing activity in the United States weakened last month by more than economists expected.

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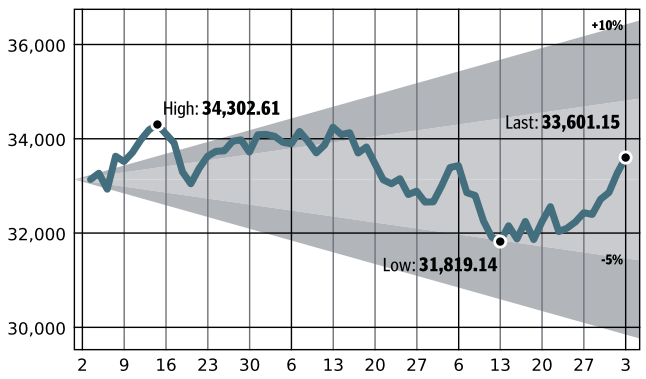

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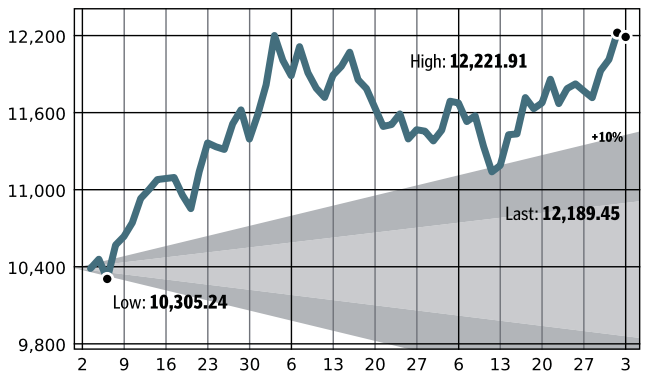
NASDAQ Composite index



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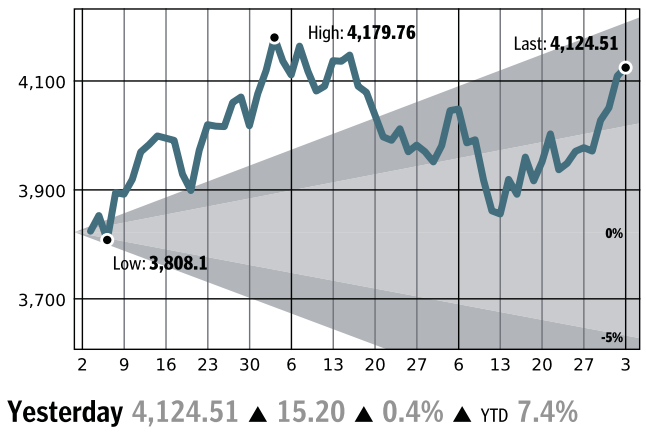
S&P 500 index



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SOURCE: Bloomberg News

Oil prices up as OPEC cuts production

US worried hikes may hobble fight against inflation

By Stanley Reed
NEW YORK TIMES

Oil prices surged on Monday and US officials voiced their displeasure a day after OPEC members announced substantial cuts in production, a move that reaffirmed Saudi Arabia, the group's leader, as a headstrong giant in the oil market.

Traders bid up crude prices after the news of cuts totaling more than 1.1 million barrels a day, or 1 percent of global production, beginning next month. Brent crude, the international benchmark, rose about 6 percent, to about $84.50 a barrel. West Texas Intermediate crude, the US standard, was up by a similar amount, trading over $80 a barrel.

Sunday's surprise announcement signaled a potential new threat to global efforts to curb inflation and a challenge to the Biden administration, which has pushed for lower gasoline prices.

"We don't think that the production cuts are advisable at this moment, given the market uncertainty. And we made that clear," said John F. Kirby, a spokesman for the National Security Council. "But we also don't have a seat at that table."

While Kirby said the White House was given advance word of the cutback, the move could further aggravate strained relations between the United States and Saudi Arabia. Last year, President Biden made a special appeal to Saudi Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman in Riyadh to increase oil production, only to have the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries trim its output at its next meeting.

A statement released by OPEC on Monday described the "voluntary production adjustments" as a "precautionary measure aimed at supporting the stability of the oil market."

Saudi Arabia, OPEC's top oil producer, said it would cut by far the most, reducing by 500,000 barrels a day, followed by Iraq (211,000 barrels), United Arab Emirates (144,000 barrels), and five other countries.

The abrupt move showed Saudi Arabia is determined to be proactive to keep prices high, perhaps in the range of $90 a barrel, some analysts said.

"This is a new Saudi style of unpredictable maneuver," said Karen Young, a senior fellow at the Columbia University Center on Global Energy Policy. In recent days, Saudi oil officials had signaled that current production levels would be maintained through the end of the year.

It may prove difficult, though, to prop up prices if demand for oil is sinking. Monday's jolt "could be followed by realization that the market is a lot weaker than people think," wrote Edward Morse, head of commodities at Citigroup.

Uncertainties hang over the global economy. It is not clear how quickly China, the largest oil importer and Saudi Arabia's most important customer, will recover from its "zero COVID" lockdowns. Also hard to gauge is the extent of economic damage done to oil demand by the recent turmoil in the banking industry. And higher prices will encourage more investment and production from other producers, like shale oil drillers in the United States.

In the United States, gasoline prices have been creeping higher in recent weeks. By moving now, the Saudis are signaling they prefer to act rather than wait and see how these trends play out, some analysts said.

"This is probably not their last production move of the year," Morse said.

OPEC+, made up of OPEC, Russia, and some others, produces roughly half of the world's oil. In February, Russia declared it would cut production by 500,000 barrels a day, a response to Western sanctions that have shaken up demand for its oil.

Overall, the group had not been scheduled to hold a formal oil ministers' meeting until June, but the Saudis apparently decided that action was needed. Prices have been weak recently, although they recovered slightly in recent days as banking problems appeared to ease. A dispute between Iraq and Kurdistan disrupted some oil supplies last week, but a potential settlement was announced over the weekend.

The sight of prices dipping toward $70 a barrel in mid-March was probably unsettling for the Saudis and, analysts say, they may have resolved to act before more bad news propelled the markets down further. Saudi Arabia needs high oil revenues to support ambitious development schemes aimed at diversifying the kingdom's economy away from oil.

Some analysts say the Saudis had little choice but to act.

"This move by OPEC+ looks to restore its credibility as being a proactive, preemptive force," said Gary Ross, chief executive of Black Gold Investors.

What's clear is that the Saudis are likely to make moves they decide are in their interest even if their decisions irritate the Biden administration and complicate the Federal Reserve's efforts to ease inflation. Relations between Washington and Riyadh have been complicated further by China's growing presence in the region, including its role as mediator in a recent series of secret talks that led to a rapprochement between Saudi Arabia and Iran.

Google introduces flight price guarantee

By Lebawit Lily Girma
BLOOMBERG NEWS

Making sure you pay a reasonable fare for flights often feels like a fool's errand. If you're lucky, you'll snag a mistake fare or flash sale. More often, you'll deliberate ad nauseam. Do you book? Do you wait? Can anyone actually beat airlines at their own game?

Google aims to change that. On Monday the search giant announced a new price-guarantee feature that promises to monitor prices daily and pay customers the difference if their fare drops at any point from booking to departure.

For now, it applies only to select US flights on Alaska, Spirit, and Hawaiian airlines. If the round-trip flight itinerary you're booking qualifies, you'll spot a light-blue-colored price-guarantee badge that shows up above the fare option, whether for basic economy or main cabin. You must then book the itinerary directly through Google, using the "Book on Google" link in search results. This means you enter your information and payment details on a Google-hosted platform that passes it to the airline, which then confirms and manages the reservation.

"What we're wanting to do is to take [our] price insights to the next level," says Jade Kessler, product manager at Google Flights. "We have hopes to offer this to as many users as possible and expand it beyond just Book on Google." Although there's no official expansion timeline, Google says its long-term plan is to roll out the guarantee feature across as many US and international flights via as many carriers as it can.

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Google's feature so far applies only to select US flights on Alaska, Spirit, and Hawaiian airlines.

As for the rebates, customers will receive e-mail notifications and see the payments appear automatically in their Google Pay accounts. From there, they will be free to transfer that money to personal bank accounts. Those without a Google Pay account will receive instructions on how to set it up to access the funds.

Google declined to discuss how often it anticipates having to compensate customers for fare drops, only to reaffirm its confidence in the accuracy of its predictive algorithms.

Google says it does not charge airlines for flight reservations through Book on Google nor does it receive percentage revenue from the airlines for using this feature; all costs for the price guarantee will be born by the search giant. Google's Price Guarantee joins its bag of consumer tools to monitor the cost of airfare, including its price graph, Explore map, and price-tracking alerts.

"We hope that people will trust Google Flights whenever they need to find a great deal on air travel, and the price guarantee could help build that trust even further," says Kessler.

The timing seems opportune, with travelers growing more sensitive to price levels amid inflation and scaling back on trips. Google ran a pilot program on this price-guarantee feature in 2019 but put it on pause; it resumed the effort in 2022 with public testing in the fourth quarter.

Booking app Hopper has what might be the most comparable tool: Its price-freeze option has been around since 2019. It lets customers pay a fee that's proportionate to the flight price to lock in the fare when they're not ready to book. (A recent search on the Hopper app shows a $30 fee to freeze a $350 round trip fare to Peru in June 2023). If that fare drops, you get to pay the lower price. Hopper says 55 percent of people who've used this feature in the last year saved money because Hopper covered the price increase.

Hopper doesn't currently offer a price-drop guarantee after purchases for its app users, but other in-app features exist to help assuage fare booking anxiety, such as a free "watch a trip" feature that notifies you when a deal arises.

If you prefer to book directly with an airline a US Department of Transportation rule obligates US airlines to refund a fare if a customer requests it within 24 hours of booking. The fares must have been purchased at least seven days before departure. But using this rule as a grace period if you find a better fare soon after booking is not always foolproof.

"You run the risk of seeing the lower fare, canceling the previous one, and then going to rebook — and the lower fare that you saw is no longer available. It can happen very quickly," says Kerwin McKenzie, an aviation industry veteran and founder of Passrider.com.

Illumina ordered by FTC to unwind $7b Grail deal

By Leah Nylen and Emily Birnbaum
BLOOMBERG NEWS

Illumina Inc. was ordered to unwind its $7 billion acquisition of cancer startup Grail by the Federal Trade Commission, an uncommon move by antitrust regulators who said the deal raises competition concerns for cancer testing.

The FTC's 4-0 decision announced Monday overturned an earlier ruling by its in-house judge who found last year that the tie-up wouldn't harm innovation in the market for early-stage cancer detection.

Illumina plans to appeal the FTC's decision, according to a statement. The shares fell 1.09 percent Monday.

Grail was spun off from DNA-sequencing giant Illumina in 2016 to develop a blood test to detect 50 types of early stages of cancer. Illumina sought to buy back the startup, closing the deal in August 2021.

The trajectory of the FTC's case has been unusual from the beginning. The agency sued to block the merger even though the cancer screening industry is relatively new, testing out novel legal theories around "potential competition" in a nascent market. Throughout the process, Illumina has moved aggressively, opting to close the deal even in the face of a lawsuit from the FTC and European regulators. The United States has staunchly defended the case even in the face of opposition. The FTC only occasionally overrules its internal judge.

Following a trial, FTC Administrative Law Judge Michael Chappell issued a preliminary ruling in favor of the companies in September. The FTC appealed Chappell's decision, sending the case to the agency's five commissioners.

"The Commission found that the acquisition would diminish innovation in the US market," the FTC said in a statement, adding that it could increase prices and "decrease choice and quality of tests."

Illumina will appeal the FTC's decision further to a federal appeals court. The company is already challenging a merger veto by the European Commission, the EU's merger watchdog, as well as a case over the commission's decision to review the deal.

Illumina said it seeks to resolve both European and FTC appeals by late 2023 or early 2024.

Winning the appeals would enable Illumina to "expand the availability, affordability and profitability" of the early-detection Galleri test, which is part of an over $44 billion multi-cancer screening market, the company said.

Billionaire activist investor Carl Icahn has pushed Illumina to end its regulatory battles over Grail and spin off the company. Icahn, who has a 1.4 percent stake in the company according to a filing, nominated three candidates for Illumina's nine-member board.

The company opposes Icahn's nominees, saying they don't have the skills or expertise needed for the roles.

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DISNEY FIRES BACK AT DESANTIS

Walt Disney Co. chief executive Bob Iger (left) came out swinging at Florida Governor Ron DeSantis, saying his policies regarding the theme-park giant have been "not just anti-Florida, but anti-business." The executive, who spoke during the company's annual meeting on Monday, responded to questions from investors about Disney's political fight in Florida and its decision to oppose legislation that limits discussion of gender identity in schools. "A company has a right to freedom of speech just like individuals do," Iger said. Disney, the world's largest entertainment company, has increasingly found itself in a fight with conservatives over its policies and the content of some movies and TV shows. The battle has been most apparent in Florida, where the Republican governor and state legislators replaced the board of a municipal district that provides services to the company's theme parks in the state after Disney opposed the schools legislation. DeSantis on Monday asked the state's chief inspector general to investigate "collusive and self-dealing arrangements" passed by the outgoing board of the municipal district before his appointees took over. Thomas Strobhar, a conservative activist who sponsored a shareholder proposal for greater disclosure of the company's charitable contributions, said Disney shouldn't be supporting LGBTQ issues and abortion. "These policies could alienate possibly millions of our potential customers," Strobhar said at the meeting. Disney tried to prevent Strobhar's proposal from appearing on the ballot. The measure failed by a wide margin, according to preliminary results announced at the meeting. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

TESLA MUST PAY MORE THAN $3M TO BLACK FORMER ELEVATOR OPERATOR

Tesla owes a Black former elevator operator $3,175,000 for ignoring his complaints that he was subjected to racial slurs and offensive graffiti at the electric-car maker's plant in Fremont, Calif., a federal jury said. The jury's award to Owen Diaz Monday follows a five-day damages retrial for the ex-contractor. In 2021, Diaz won a $137 million verdict, one of the largest jury awards in US history in a discrimination lawsuit by an individual. After the judge decided the amount was too high and offered Diaz $15 million, he instead chose to start over with a new jury to determine damages. Elon Musk's company has faced years of complaints from Black workers that managers at the factory turned a blind eye to the commonplace use of racial slurs on the assembly line and were slow to clean up graffiti with swastikas and other hate symbols scrawled in common areas.
— BLOOMBERG NEWS

ELECTRIC VEHICLES

FEW PLUG INTO CHINA'S VAST NETWORK OF CHARGING STATIONS

To support its transition from gas guzzlers to electric vehicles, China has rolled out more public charging facilities than the rest of the world combined. The problem is many are barely being used. New research from the Oxford Institute for Energy Studies found that public charging posts in China are used on average about once a day. Some connectors along highway routes are particularly unloved, with an average utilization rate of 1 percent, according to the study. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

MANUFACTURING

FACTORY OUTPUT DOWN IN MARCH

US factory activity contracted in March by more than expected, with a closely watched gauge dropping to its lowest level since May 2020 as measures of new orders and employment retreated. The Institute for Supply Management's gauge of manufacturing activity decreased to 46.3 in March, below the median estimate of 47.5 in a Bloomberg survey of economists. Readings below 50 indicate contraction. Excluding the pandemic, last month's reading was the worst since 2009. The latest data, released Monday, suggest rising interest rates, growing recession fear, and tighter lending conditions may be starting to weigh on business investment. That's compounding the demand challenges the sector already faced as households continue to shift more of their discretionary spending toward services. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

FAST FOOD

MCDONALD'S CLOSES CORPORATE OFFICES AS IT PREPARES FOR LAYOFFS

McDonald's has closed its US offices for a few days as the company prepares to inform corporate employees about layoffs, according to a published report. The Wall Street Journal cited an internal e-mail from the Chicago fast-food giant saying US corporate staff and some employees overseas should work from home while the company notifies people of their job status. McDonald's declined to comment on the report early Monday. The report said McDonald's would inform its employees this week about staffing decisions that are part of a broad restructuring of the company announced earlier. McDonald's has more than 150,000 employees in corporate roles and in company-owned restaurants. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

ENTERTAINMENT

SAUDI ARABIA LOOKS TO ATTRACT THE VIDEO GAME INDUSTRY

The Saudi Arabian government is betting $38 billion on the country's potential to become the next hub for the video game industry. As part of its strategy to diversify its economy away from oil, Saudi Arabia, through its Public Investment Fund, wants to become a big player in the $184 billion global gaming market. After focusing initially on the esports industry, which has been struggling, the fund's subsidiary, Savvy Gaming Group, is now looking to develop, publish, and acquire top-tier games and support a gaming industry in Riyadh. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

INTERNATIONAL

YUAN REPLACES THE DOLLAR AS THE MOST TRADED CURRENCY IN RUSSIA

China's yuan has replaced the US dollar as the most traded currency in Russia, a year after the invasion of Ukraine led to a slew of Western sanctions against Moscow. The yuan surpassed the dollar in monthly trading volume in February for the first time, and the difference became more pronounced in March, according to data compiled by Bloomberg based on daily transaction reports from the Moscow Exchange. Before the invasion, the yuan's trading volume on the Russian market was negligible. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

MARIJUANA

NEW YORK APPROVES A SLEW OF POT LICENSES AFTER COURT RULING

New York regulators approved 99 new provisional licenses for recreational marijuana dispensaries Monday as they try to speed up the rollout of a legal market that had been impeded by a court ruling. New York legalized recreational marijuana for adult use two years ago, although only seven shops have opened so far. The rollout was slowed in part by a federal court ruling last fall that put retail licensing on hold in some regions, including Brooklyn and the Buffalo area, and legal operations are also undermined by a proliferation of unlicensed stores. A federal appeals court lifted most of that injunction last week, paving the way for the Cannabis Control Board to provisionally approve licenses in those areas as part of the 99 green-lighted Monday. Applicants still need to complete a supplemental application. — ASSOCIATED PRESS

MOVIE THEATERS

CINEWORLD HAS A PLAN TO EXIT BANKRUPTCY

Theater operator Cineworld plans to raise $2.26 billion in a restructuring plan to slash debt and exit bankruptcy. The world's second-largest theater chain said it's reached a deal with 83 percent of lenders, a milestone after it filed for Chapter 11 protection in September. Cineworld had taken on heavy debt to acquire US chain Regal, but the COVID-19 pandemic pushed it into distress after lockdowns delayed the release and production of blockbuster movies and shuttered cinemas for months. — BLOOMBERG NEWS

Delayed fanfare for Berklee president

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and in-person classes, as well as increasing the number of agreements with community colleges in which associate's degrees can be used toward full four-year Berklee degrees.

Muhl's love of music began at age 3, when she started playing violin. She later shifted to piano and started writing songs at age 13. She studied composition in France, and conducting in Berlin, before getting her doctorate at USC's Thornton School of Music. She certainly didn't expect to become a college president during those early years. But she sees the job as a natural extension of her musical passions.

"I actually find what I do in leadership to be really creative," Muhl said. "Yeah, there's a lot of day-to-day, a lot of nuts and bolts, there's management, there's definitely politics. But there's also the opportunity, you know, to have a great impact and make great change."

Mintz makes moves up north

Law firm **Mintz** is about to hit a major milestone: By the end of this month, it will have more attorneys in other cities than in its home city of Boston.

The reason? Canada. Mintz just opened an office in Toronto on April 1, and managing member **Bob Bodian** said the firm may have as many as 25 lawyers working there by the end of April. That will give Mintz about 600 firmwide, with around 280 in Boston. It's the first time, Bodian said, that Mintz will have more lawyers outside of the Boston office than within it.

The 90-year-old firm's expansion beyond Boston is a relatively recent phenomenon. In 2000, its only other office was a small one in Washington, D.C. Today, Mintz also has offices in New York, San Francisco, Los Angeles, and San Diego, and now Toronto. Bodian, based in New York, became the firm's first managing member from another city in 2009.

The founding partners of the Toronto office are **Michael Akkawi** (specializing in private equity), **Mitch Frazer** (pensions), **Eric Foster** (mergers and acquisitions), **Lee Johnson** (intellectual property), and **Cheryl Reicin** (life sciences).

"It's a really big shot in the arm for us in terms of life sciences, private equity, capital markets," Bodian said. "A large part of the attraction [of opening in Toronto] was who these partners are and what they do. Having said that, Toronto is the fourth largest city in North America and one of the three biggest tech hubs. ... It's an hour away by air, it's a very strong city, and it's a good place to be."

Mariano makes his bets

When House Speaker **Ron Mariano** visited the **Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce** nearly a year ago, he joked about how long it was taking to get a sports betting bill passed into law on Beacon Hill.

Well, just because the Legislature finally legalized sports betting last summer doesn't mean that Mariano is done with the wisecracks.

Mariano returned to the chamber last week and continued the jocularity. In 2022, he joked how he probably wouldn't come to the chamber speech if sports betting was legal because he would have bet all his money on the **Boston Celtics** the night before, when the C's beat the **Miami Heat** in Game 5 of the NBA's Eastern Conference finals. Chamber chief executive **Jim Rooney** quipped at the time about how he knew a few people who might have been able to get that bet in for Mariano.

Now, there's no need for a bookie. The state's three casinos, including **Encore Boston Harbor**, offer sports betting, and it's available on mobile apps.

"I recently had the opportunity to place some of the very first bets at Encore and on the **DraftKings** app," Mariano said last week, while referencing top lieutenant Representative **Aaron Michlewitz**. "I did that with my chairman of ways and means, which shows you how much fiscal sense he has."

Mariano then launched into his main speech, in which he talked about how he, Michlewitz, and Representative **Mark Cusack** are working on a tax cut package aimed at making the state more affordable and economically competitive.

He didn't have many details, but he did share a backup plan.

"If all that fails, my plan is to bet 100 percent of the millionaires tax revenue on the Celts to win it all," Mariano joked again. "So we'll be all set."

Boston shaving giant signs Yankees deal

Gillette: The best a Yankee can get?

The Boston-based shaving company, an arm of consumer products giant **Procter & Gamble**, announced last week that it signed a multiyear sponsorship deal with the **New York Yankees**, making Gillette the Bronx Bombers' first "official men's grooming partner." It's a designation that includes signage in Yankee Stadium. Pitcher **Nestor Cortes** and first baseman **Anthony Rizzo** helped promote the sponsorship at an event last month where they got a fresh shave and chatted about grooming routines with members of the "Gillette Barber Council." The deal represents the first **Major League Baseball** deal for Gillette in five years. Kind of makes sense it would be the Yankees, given the team's famous policy against beards or long hair.

Of course, Gillette has had a longtime sponsorship with the **Kraft Group** for naming rights on the stadium where the **New England Patriots** and **Revolution** play. But what about the other Boston teams?

Spokeswoman **Kara Buckley** assured the Globe that Boston sports fandom remains alive at the Gillette world shaving headquarters, even if the company is "excited to be back in baseball" with this new Yankees partnership.

"As you might imagine, we are also BIG fans of our hometown sports teams — and we have supported our Boston-based teams and players in many ways through the years," Buckley said in an e-mail. "This includes the Red Sox."

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JONATHAN WIGGS/GLOBE STAFF

House Speaker Ron Mariano was the keynote speaker at a Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce forum last week.

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CITY OF WATERTOWN
Zoning Board of Appeals
Watertown Administration Building
149 Main Street
WATERTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS 02472

PUBLIC NOTICE

Watertown Zoning Board of Appeals Public Hearing: **Wednesday, April 26, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.** Council Chambers, Watertown Administration Building, 149 Main St. Watertown, MA with remote access link on the Agenda 48 hours prior to the meeting. Please note that the Planning Board is scheduled to hold a public meeting on **Wednesday, April 12, 2023** at 7:00 p.m. to make an advisory recommendation to the Zoning Board of Appeals.

104 Main St. -O'Connor Capital Partners LLC/ O'Connor Management LLC- Special Permit with Site Plan Review to redevelop five lots (with addresses of 104 and 116-126 Main Street, 2 Cross Street, 53 Pleasant Street, and a Vacant lot at the corner of Cross Street and Pleasant Street) into a new mixed-use development. Project will include approximately 6,201 sq.ft. of first floor commercial/retail space along Main St. with 143 apartment units and 5 townhome units, and a two-level parking garage with 154 spaces, and 2 handicap surface spaces. Pursuant to §5.01 (k)(2) mixed use development; § 4.10 additional height and rooftop features; § 5.05(f) increased length of contiguous facade and building length in keeping with Design Guidelines; §6.01 (e & f)shared parking and reduced parking with encouragement of alternative modes of transportation; subject to §5.07 Affordable Housing Requirements; § 4.06 (a) alteration, change, extension of non-conforming use and structure and § 9.12 all in accordance with §9.03 through §9.05. Central Business (CB) Zoning District. ZBA-2023-02.

NOTICE OF MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Mark H. Foskin, Kathleen Foskin to First Franklin Financial Corporation, dated September 28, 2004 and recorded in the Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 17880, Page 119, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, by assignment from:

First Franklin Financial Corporation to PNC Bank, National Association, recorded on June 22, 2018, in Book No. 32176, at Page 194

for breach of the conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction at 10:00 AM on April 25, 2023, on the mortgaged premises located at 13 Morningside Drive, Billerica, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage,

TO WIT:
The land in Billerica, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, with the buildings thereon, situated on Morningside Drive in said Billerica, and being shown as Lot 6 on a plan entitled "Revised Plan of Lots 6, 7 & 8 Morningside Billerica, Mass." dated June, 1967, by Emmons, Fleming & Bienvenu, Civil Engineers & Surveyors, recorded with Middlesex North District Registry of Deeds, Plan Book 114, Plan 45, bounded and described as follows: SOUTHEASTERLY in part by Morningside Drive, 106.67 feet and in part by Lot 7, 133.29 feet, all as shown on said plan; NORTHEASTERLY by land now or formerly of Kamishlion, as shown on said Plan, 428.79 feet; NORTHERLY by land now or formerly of Norden, as shown on said plan, 275 feet, more or less; and WESTERLY and SOUTHWESTERLY by Content Brook and lands now or formerly of Gilman, Cadlieux, Wiggins, Williston, Fogundes and Boliver, all as shown on said Plan, 720 feet, more or less. Containing, according to said plan, 131,653 square feet of land, more or less.

For mortgagor's(s') title see deed recorded with Middlesex County (Northern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 17880, Page 118.

These premises will be sold and conveyed subject to and with the benefit of all rights, rights of way, restrictions, easements, covenants, liens or claims in the nature of liens, improvements, public assessments, any and all unpaid taxes, tax titles, tax liens, water and sewer liens and any other municipal assessments or liens or existing encumbrances of record which are in force and are applicable, having priority over said mortgage, whether or not reference to such restrictions, easements, improvements, liens or encumbrances is made in the deed.

TERMS OF SALE:

A deposit of Five Thousand ($5,000.00) Dollars by certified or bank check will be required to be paid by the purchaser at the time and place of sale. The balance is to be paid by certified or bank check at Harmon Law Offices, P.C., 150 California St., Newton, Massachusetts 02458, or by mail to P.O. Box 610389, Newton Highlands, Massachusetts 02461-0389, within thirty (30) days from the date of sale. Deed will be provided to purchaser for recording upon receipt in full of the purchase price. The description of the premises contained in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication.

Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

PNC BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION
Present holder of said mortgage

By its Attorneys,
HARMON LAW OFFICES, P.C.
150 California St.
Newton, MA 02458
(617)558-0500
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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE
34 Ensign Street
Revere, Massachusetts 02151

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by **Margaret F. Passariello** to the **Webster First Federal Credit Union successor by merger to Saugus Federal Credit Union** dated **August 30, 2007** and recorded with the **Suffolk County** Registry of Deeds in **Book 42411, Page 313** of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder for breaching conditions of said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing, the same will be sold at Public Auction, on the premises described in said mortgage on the **27th** day of **April 2023 at 11:00 A.M.** at the mortgaged premises of **34 Ensign Street, Revere, Massachusetts**, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage, and therein described as follows:

The land in Revere, Suffolk County, Massachusetts, together with the buildings thereon and being shown as Lot No. 2 on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Revere Owned by Dragon Realty Trust dated March 21, 1960, drawn by John W. Parsons, Surveyor" recorded with Suffolk Deeds at the END of Book 7469, and bounded and described as follows:
NORTHWESTERLY by Ensign Street, Eighty (80) feet;
SOUTHWESTERLY by Lot No. 1, as shown on said plan, One Hundred Fifty-Six and 87/100 (156.87) feet;
SOUTHEASTERLY by land now or formerly of the City of Revere, Eighty (80) feet; and,
NORTHEASTERLY by Lot No. 3, as shown on said plan, One Hundred Fifty-Six and 47/100 (156.47) feet.
Containing Twelve Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Four (12,534) square feet of land, more or less, and all according to said plan.
For title see Deed dated November 1, 1960 recorded with Suffolk Registry in Book 7518, Page 2.

The said premises will be sold subject to and with the benefit of all restrictions, easements, improvements, outstanding tax titles, mortgages, liens, rights of tenants and parties in possession, unpaid taxes, municipal liens and other public taxes, assessments or liens, having priority over the mortgage described herein, if any. The above described lot is sold subject to the requirements of the Title V standards for subsurface sewerage disposal system 310 CMR 15.00 et al. The Mortgagee reserves the right to postpone the sale to a later date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the sale and to further postpone at any adjourned sale date by public proclamation at the time and date appointed for the adjourned sale date.
In the event that the successful bidder at the foreclosure sale shall default in purchasing the within described property according to the terms of the Notice of Sale and/or the terms of the Memorandum of Sale agreement executed at the time of the foreclosure, the Mortgagee reserves the right, but not the obligation, to sell the property by Foreclosure Deed to the second highest bidder (or other successive bidders, in the order of their bid) provided that the said highest bidder shall deposit with the Mortgagee's attorney Michael C. Meloche, Esquire, the amount of the required deposit as set forth herein within three (3) working days after written notice of default of the previous highest bidder, and the balance of the sale price shall be paid by certified or bank check by the purchaser, and the deed shall be delivered to said highest bidder, within thirty (30) days of such notice.

TERMS OF SALE: Cash, cashier's or certified check in the sum of Ten Thousand (**$10,000.00**) Dollars as a deposit must be shown at the time and place of the sale in order to qualify as a bidder (the mortgage holder and its designee are exempt from this requirement); high bidder must sign a Memorandum of Sale upon acceptance of bid and tender deposit of **$10,000.00** in cash or by certified or bank treasurer's check. The balance is to be paid in cash or by certified or bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days thereafter to be deposited with Michael C. Meloche, Esquire, 271 Greenwood Street, Worcester, MA 01607. A foreclosure deed will be delivered upon payment of the balance due. The description of the premises in said mortgage shall control in the event of an error in this publication. Other terms, if any, to be announced at the sale.

WEBSTER FIRST FEDERAL CREDIT UNION
Present Holder of Said Mortgage
By Its Attorney,
Michael C. Meloche
271 Greenwood Street
P.O. Box 70505
Worcester, MA 01607
Dated: March 28 and April 4, 11, 2023

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket No. 23 SM 001274
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Kianga Dancy

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq):

Discover Bank

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Mattapan (Boston), numbered 21 Old Morton Street, given by Kianga Dancy to Discover Bank, dated April 26, 2018, and recorded in Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 59635, Page 156, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 05/08/2023 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 3/27/2023
Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket No. 23 SM 001296
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Amy Clark, Trustee of the Double Threes Realty Trust

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq):

Wilmington Savings Fund Society, FSB, not in its individual capacity, but solely as Owner Trustee for CSMC 2021-NQM7

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Brookline, numbered 33 Oakland Road, given by Amy Clark, Trustee of the Double Threes Realty Trust u/d/t dated January 30, 2020 to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for Athas Capital Group, Inc., dated February 25, 2021, and recorded in Norfolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 39055, Page 320, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 5/15/2023 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 3/28/2023
Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder

(SEAL)
THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket Number: 23 SM 001292
ORDER OF NOTICE

To:
Gregg Andrew Maydoney

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. c. 50 §3901 (et seq):

PennyMac Loan Services, LLC

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Boston, numbered 112 Washington Street, given by Gregg Andrew Maydoney to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Residential Mortgage Services, Inc., dated July 7, 2017, and recorded in the Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 58196, Page 55, as modified by a certain modification agreement dated December 3, 2021, and recorded with said Suffolk County Registry of Deeds in Book 67184, Page 26, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before May 15, 2023, or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, Gordon H. Piper, Chief Justice of this Court on March 28, 2023.
Attest:
Deborah J. Patterson
Recorder
23498

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
LAND COURT
DEPARTMENT OF THE TRIAL COURT
Docket No. 23 SM 001294
ORDER OF NOTICE

TO: Bridget M. Laidlaw

and to all persons entitled to the benefit of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act, 50 U.S.C. C. 50 §3901 (et seq):

Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, as Trustee for Residential Accredit Loans, Inc., Mortgage Asset-Backed Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2006-QS10

claiming to have an interest in a Mortgage covering real property in Medford, numbered 194 Fells Avenue, given by Bridget M. Laidlaw to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, acting solely as a nominee for VIP Mortgage Corporation, dated May 22, 2006, and recorded in Middlesex County (Southern District) Registry of Deeds in Book 47514, Page 139, and now held by the Plaintiff by assignment, has/have filed with this court a complaint for determination of Defendant's/Defendants' Servicemembers status.

If you now are, or recently have been, in the active military service of the United States of America, then you may be entitled to the benefits of the Servicemembers Civil Relief Act. If you object to a foreclosure of the above-mentioned property on that basis, then you or your attorney must file a written appearance and answer in this court at Three Pemberton Square, Boston, MA 02108 on or before 5/15/2023 or you may lose the opportunity to challenge the foreclosure on the ground of noncompliance with the Act.

Witness, GORDON H. PIPER Chief Justice of this Court on 3/28/2023
Attest: Deborah J. Patterson, Recorder

NOTICE OF INITIAL SITE INVESTIGATION AND TIER II CLASSIFICATION
MWRA Ward Street
Headworks 47 Ward Street
Boston, Massachusetts
02120
RTN 3-37378
A release of oil and/or hazardous materials has occurred at this location, which is a disposal site as defined by M.G.L. c. 21E, § 2 and the Massachusetts Contingency Plan, 310 CMR 40.0000. To evaluate the release, a Phase I Initial Site Investigation was performed pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0480. The site has been classified as Tier II pursuant to 310 CMR 40.0500. In April 2023, The Massachusetts Water Resource Authority filed a Tier II Classification Submittal with the Department of Environmental Protection (MassDEP). To obtain more information on this disposal site, please contact Kathleen G. Murphy, PE, LSP at CDM Smith Inc., 75 State Street, Suite 701, Boston, Massachusetts, 02109, 617-452-6302. The Tier Classification Submittal and the disposal site file can be viewed at MassDEP website using Release Tracking Number (RTN) 3-37378 at http://public.dep.state.ma.us/SearchableSites2/Search.aspx or at MassDEP, Northeast Regional Office, 205B Lowell Street, Wilmington, Massachusetts 01887, 978-694- 3200. Additional public involvement opportunities are available under 310 CMR 40.1403(9) and 310 CMR 40.1404.

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Businesses raise focus on diversity of supply chains

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tracts with women-owned businesses. And the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce's most recent data for its five-year-old Pacesetters program shows chamber participants placed $204 million worth of contracts with Massachusetts businesses owned by people of color in 2021, a 20 percent increase from 2020, while the participants' national spending with such businesses fell by 6 percent. The chamber's goal: for 10 percent of Pacesetters' supplier spending to go to minority-owned businesses in the state; in 2021, the average was around 5 percent.

"I was warned early on that it is hard work, and that has proven to be prophetic," AIM chief executive John Regan said. "But that doesn't mean you don't do the work. ... We tried to emphasize that they don't have to be extremely large contracts. They could be simple, [like] catering, developing marketing material, landscaping or janitorial, things that are the day-to-day needs of a business."

Anthony Samuels, owner of building services firm DRB, spoke on the AIM panel and was an early participant in the Chamber's Pacesetters program. It's one of several such efforts that gained momentum after George Floyd's murder in 2020 and the racial reckoning that followed.

Samuels said DRB now employs 725 people and that its revenue has nearly doubled since 2018 — in part by landing through Pacesetters networking a business relationship with Northeastern University that involves a range of janitorial services. Supplier diversity programs, he said, help lead to cross-industry relationships that often result in business opportunities.

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> JOHN REGAN, *AIM executive*

In the Competitive Partnership's case, the work grew out of a request in mid-2021 from Rapid7 CEO Corey Thomas and State Street CEO Ron O'Hanley, who lead the partnership's social justice committee. They asked the partnership's staff and accounting giant Deloitte — which did its work pro bono — to research what partnership members were doing to diversify their supply chains and offer suggestions for improvements. Results varied significantly. Some member companies have had supplier diversity programs for more than a decade, while others still haven't launched one formally. Some have full- or part-time staff dedicated to this work, while others do not.

Rebecca Davis, the partnership's chief operating officer, said Deloitte's research found some keys to success: buy-in at the C-suite level, using metrics that can be tracked over time, and breaking up big contracts so smaller businesses can more easily bid on them. She said the partnership members hope other businesses can benefit from the Deloitte survey, particularly those that might not have their own "self-assessment" tools.

Greater Boston Chamber chief executive Jim Rooney, who spoke on the partnership's panel, said many multistate employers have national supply chain procurements and often face pressure to use minority-owned suppliers in other cities. Some are limited by longtime contractual arrangements or credential requirements.

But Rooney said he's still seeing progress with local spending among the chamber's Pacesetters members.

"It needs constant attention," Rooney said. "I tell my team, 'It may not be as big and bold as you like it to be, but you've changed some lives.' That one big contract kept someone in business or changed the trajectory of a company."

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Promise, peril of obesity drugs

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NOVO NORDISK VIA AP

Novo Nordisk, with its R&D hub in Cambridge, markets semaglutide for weight loss under the brand Wegovy.

their lives.

My goal is to drop the aforementioned 30 pounds. That would get me below the minimum BMI obesity reading of 30. But that also puts me in the weight-loss gray area between urgent medical necessity and "I'd feel better about myself if I could wear size 36 chinos."

GLP-1 drugs aren't really meant for me.

Nevertheless, an unhealthy blend of frustration and vanity sent me to my local hospital's bariatric center, where I was prescribed Saxenda, an older Novo injectable based on a different GLP-1 medication, liraglutide. At the time, Wegovy was almost impossible to get in the lower-dose pens you start out using.

I'm fortunate that my health insurance covers almost all of the cost. I pay $40 a month for Saxenda pens and needles, a tab that would top $1,900 without coverage. Many people with far more serious obesity and related health issues can't afford GLP-1 treatments.

The first couple of weeks were rough.

I was nauseated and fatigued, there were bouts of diarrhea and one day of intense vomiting. These are "common side-effects." (Others include constipation, abdominal pain, and headaches.)

The distress dissipated and I lost weight — slowly but pretty consistently.

Over three months, including a few weeks of conventional dieting before I started the daily Saxenda injections, I shed 19 pounds. I feel much better, both physically and emotionally.

But for the past month the bathroom scale hasn't moved much. This is annoying but not unusual. Still, I worry that Saxenda is no longer tricking my brain into making me feel more sated after eating.

But let's assume this is a temporary setback and the remaining 10 pounds eventually come off. What happens then? GLP-1 drugs are intended to be taken pretty much ... forever.

That's if you don't develop serious complications. And there are many, including pancreatitis, gallbladder problems, kidney failure, and even suicidal thoughts.

There isn't a ton of research on the long-term risks of GLP-1 drugs. Moreover, there's limited data on what happens if you stop taking them, though a 2021 study found that people regained two-thirds of the weight they lost with Wegovy.

That jibes with reams of research showing that 90 percent of people who lose a lot of weight — regardless of the diet or drug — eventually put most of it back on.

With odds like that — and the known and unknown health hazards, and the massive prescription costs looming over the health care system — I wonder if it's all worth it.

But then Monday comes around and a fresh start seems possible.

STAT, the health and biotech news site, has produced a comprehensive series of stories on the new generation of obesity drugs. Larry Edelman can be reached at larry.edelman@globe.com. Follow him on Twitter @GlobeNewsEd.

Biotechs seek OK for sickle cell therapy

▶VERTEX
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sickle cell disease.

Vertex and CRISPR Therapeutics' exa-cel would be the first treatment based on CRISPR technology to reach the market. It works by editing a patient's own blood stem cells to produce high levels of fetal hemoglobin — the healthy, oxygen-carrying form of hemoglobin produced during fetal development but normally shuts down soon after birth. Higher levels of fetal hemoglobin in people with sickle cell disease are associated with reduced symptoms and improved outcomes.

Bluebird's lovo-cel works by using an engineered virus to insert a modified gene into the DNA of a patient's blood stem cells. The healthy gene produces normally functioning hemoglobin. A similar Bluebird gene therapy called Zynteglo is already approved in the United States to treat beta-thalassemia.

Approximately 100,000 people in the United States are living with sickle cell disease, which makes it one of the most common, inherited diseases targeted by genetic, potentially curative treatments.

In respective clinical trials, both exa-cel and lovo-cel have been shown to eliminate episodes of sickle cell pain that can lead to hospitalization, organ damage, and the increased risk of stroke and early death. The durability of these functional cures remains an open question. And while both therapies are given to patients via a single infusion, a course of toxic chemotherapy is first required to prepare, or condition, the bone marrow so that it accepts the genetically modified cells. Full recovery can take up to six months.

Vertex and CRISPR Therapeutics have requested a priority review from the FDA, which if granted, could see exa-cel reach the market toward the end of the year. How much of a head start it might have over lovo-cel won't be known until Bluebird completes its own filing.

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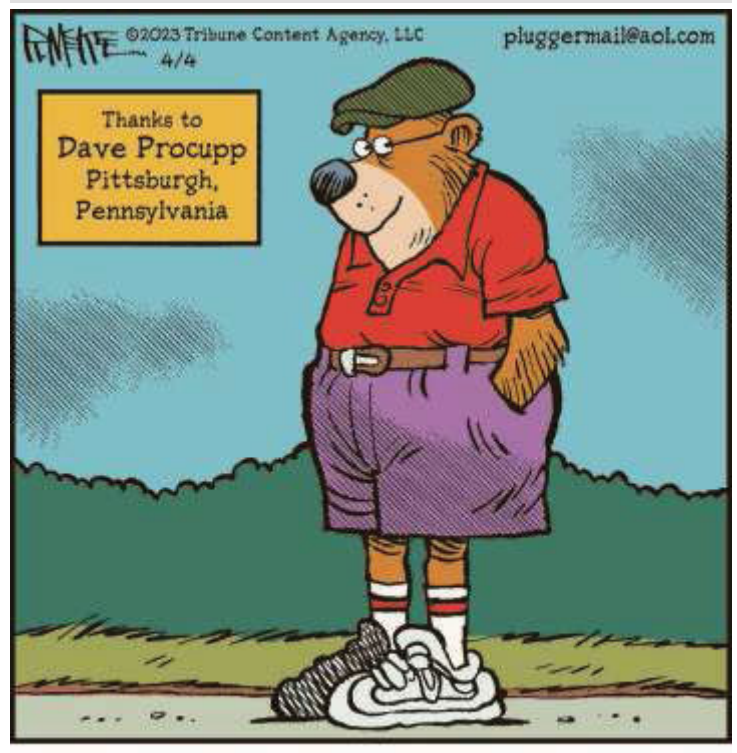
CRABGRASS by Tauhid Bondia

GROUNDED: DAY 2
PROBABLY THE WORST THING ABOUT BEING LOCKED UP IS THE BOREDOM.
FORTUNATELY FOR ME, THEY CAN'T LOCK UP THE POWER OF IMAGINATION!
POOF
WELL, SHOOT.

ZITS by Jerry Scott & Jim Borgman

TODAY MY DAD SAID "OKIE DOKIE" TO ME.
UN-IRONICALLY??
YEAH. AND THEN HE TOLD ME AN ELEPHANT JOKE.
OH MAN.
HE MAY BE PAST THE POINT OF NO RETURN, DORK-WISE.
IF IT WALKS LIKE A DORK, AND TALKS LIKE A DORK...

PLUGGERS by Rick McKee



You're a plugger if your baby shoes were bronzed, and now your sneakers are sliver.

DOONESBURY by Garry Trudeau

SO YOU'RE TO BE MY ESCORT TO THE GREAT BEYOND, DICK?
I AM INDEED, MY DOVE.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT SORT OF COMPANY I'LL BE, DEAREST. EVERYONE SAYS I'VE LOST MY MIND.
IT'S NOT YOUR MIND I'M HERE FOR, LACEY, IT'S YOUR SOUL.
OH, MY... I LIKE THAT.
ARE YOU FLIRTING WITH ME, SPIRIT?
IT'S POSSIBLE.

DUSTIN by Steve Kelley & Jeff Parker

RED & ROVER by Brian Basset

SILLY DOG. THAT'S NOT THE BALL I THREW.
YES, IT IS.
NO, IT ISN'T.
BET YOU A MILLION GAZILLION BOXES OF MILKY BONES THAT IT IS.
YOU, SIR, ARE ON!
IT'S THE BALL YOU LOST IN THE BUSHES TWO SUMMERS AGO.
HURRY UP, WILL YA... I'M HUNGRY.

ARCTIC CIRCLE by Alex Hallatt

INDUCTION HOBS ARE SAFER TO COOK ON.
MY DAD SAYS BURNING GAS IS SAFE IF YOU HAVE A GOOD ENOUGH EXTRACTION FAN.
WHIRRRRR!
GOOD ENOUGH.
Help!

FOR BETTER OR FOR WORSE by Lynn Johnston

UNBELIEVABLE! I GET HOME AT 3 O'CLOCK IN THE AFTERNOON, AND MY SON IS STILL IN BED, FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE!! -HOW CAN YOU WASTE AN ENTIRE DAY LIKE THIS?!!
MOM, IT'S POURING RAIN, I DON'T HAVE TO GO TO SCHOOL...
I DON'T CARE !!
MICHAEL, JUST THINK OF ALL THE THOUSANDS OF THINGS THERE ARE TO DO IN THIS WORLD! -THERE'S SO MUCH YOU COULD ACCOMPLISH!!
I KNOW.
...THAT'S WHY I WAS STILL IN BED.

CURTIS by Ray Billingsley

LET'S HAVE LUNCH TOGETHER, DENITRA
AS IF
YOU MESSED UP MY SWAG!
DON'T TRY TO BLAME ME, BROH!
HEART-THROB, WHEN IT COMES TO ASKIN' A GIRL OUT, YOU'RE AN AIRPLANE FLYING WITHOUT FUEL...
YOU CRASH!

RHYMES WITH ORANGE by Hilary Price

ARLO & JANIS by Jimmy Johnson

ARLO!
LISTEN TO THAT WIND!
IT'S JUST A THUNDERSTORM WARNING! GO BACK TO SLEEP!
BAM
BAM
BAM
HAIL!
IT'S HAILING!
GOD, YOU LET THIS HAPPEN, SO IS IT A SIN IF I ENJOY IT JUST THE TEENIEST BIT?

UNIVERSAL CROSSWORD PUZZLE

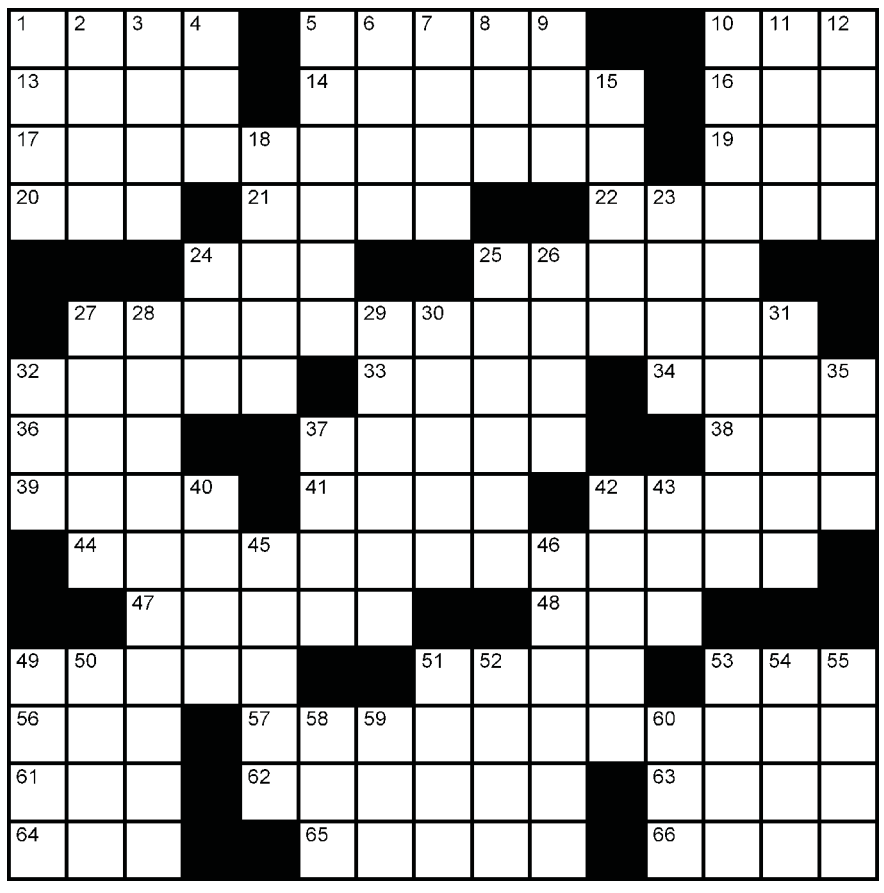
GOING THROUGH HOOPS BY JESS RUCKS | EDITED BY DAVID STEINBERG

ACROSS

1 ___ up (get loose before a game)
5 Ogre who loves Fiona
10 Fedora, for one
13 Notion
14 Everycity, USA
16 Space oddity, briefly
17 Baller known for speed?
19 Isle of ___
20 CPR pro
21 Massages
22 Estrogen producer
24 Bro's kin
25 Garment that may say "When I said 'I do' I didn't mean the dishes"
27 Baller known for hitting the books?
32 "Schitt's Creek" character Rose
33 Chooses
34 Greek god of love
36 "Life of Pi" director Lee
37 Brown eyes or curly hair
38 Regret
39 Bank claim
41 Environmentalist Brockovich
42 Small steak
44 Baller known for dribbling from sideline to sideline?
47 Factions
48 So last year
49 See 18-Down
51 Baby bears
53 Nintendo Switch precursor
56 Apple pie ___ mode
57 People who put group success before their own, or what 17-, 27- and 44-Across have become?
61 "Madness" mo.
62 Walked confidently
63 ___ mater
64 Make a request
65 Recess rebuttal
66 Kill it, at a drag show

DOWN

1 Eve, for 2-Down
2 First husband?
3 Sit on a bench, perhaps
4 Yoga pad
5 Other half
6 Cilantro or sage
7 Seating divisions
8 Historical period
9 White-wine aperitif
10 Our fallibility
11 In the distance
12 Best Play award, say
15 Decorate
18 With 49-Across, Mexican painter known for her self-portraits
23 Show of hands
24 California's Big ___
25 Performing in a play
26 Flea, e.g.
27 ___ boom
28 Striped predator of the sea
29 Martial arts legend Chuck
30 Noted Auto-Tuned rapper
31 Like a basketball
32 Prefix for "adjusted"
35 The Who's "I Can ___ for Miles"
37 Class struggle?
40 Christmas, in French
42 Oral Roberts University's Oklahoma city
43 Not good
45 Many kilt wearers
46 Stemmed glass
49 ___ Sutra
50 "Sadly ..."
51 "Stop dawdling!"
52 Hairstyle such as a topknot
53 With skill
54 Cookbook writer Rombauer
55 "Goodness me!"
58 GPS guess
59 Spot for a shot
60 "___ queen!"



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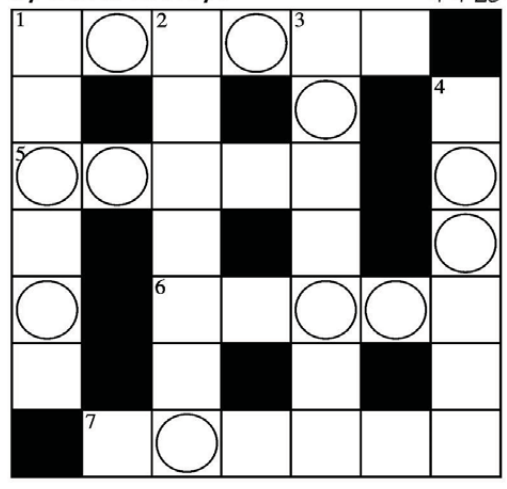

ACROSS

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Barrage	OVLELY
5. Engrave	RACEV
6. Type of container	ETCAR
7. Hold	HCCUTL

DOWN

CLUE	ANSWER
1. Leave empty	EACTVA
2. Musical	RALLYIC
3. Beautiful, tasteful	TLGNAEE
4. Backside	EREBHC

CLUE: This movie was based on Philip K. Dick's 1966 short story, "We Can Remember It for You Wholesale."

BONUS

How to play: Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

ANSWERS: 1A-Volley 5A-Carve 6A-Crate 7A-Clutch 1D-Vacate 2D-Lyrical 3D-Elegant 4D-Breech B-Total Recall

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Boston's forecast

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TODAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **54-59** LOW **38-43**
A couple of showers around; otherwise, mostly cloudy. Winds NE 6-12 mph. Partly cloudy tonight. Winds ENE 6-12 mph.

WEDNESDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **40-45** LOW **40-45**
Cloudy, damp and cooler with occasional rain and drizzle. Winds ENE 10-20 mph. Considerable cloudiness at night; a shower or two. Winds SSE 6-12 mph.

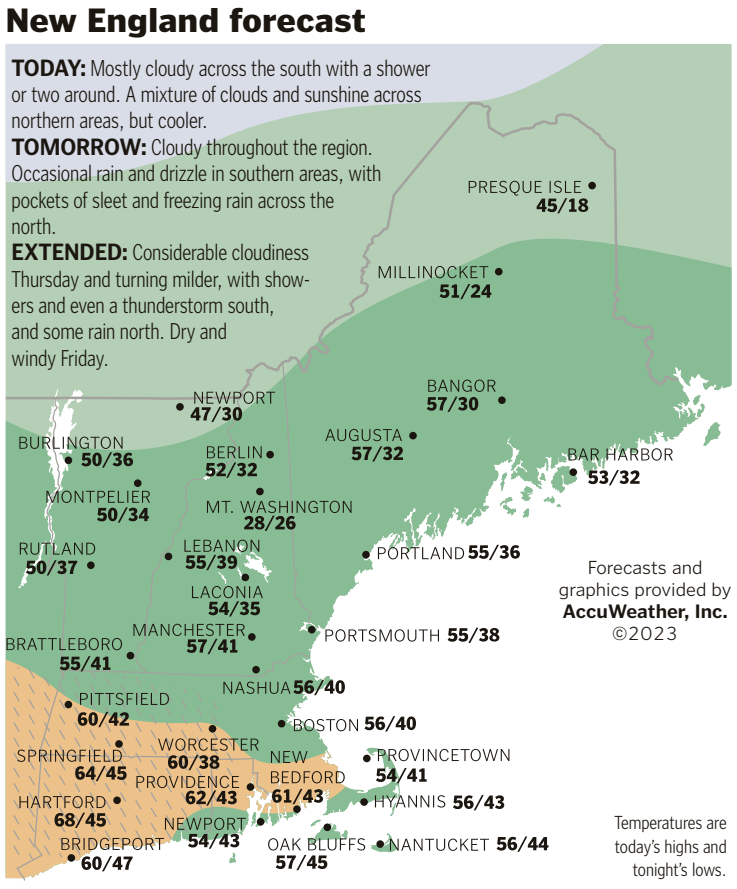
THURSDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **66-71** LOW **44-49**
Variably cloudy and milder with showers; perhaps an afternoon thunderstorm. Wind SW 8-16 mph. Clouds breaking at night. Winds W 8-16 mph.

FRIDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **56-61** LOW **34-39**
Partly sunny with a gusty breeze. Winds W 15-25 mph. Mainly clear at night. Winds NW 7-14 mph.

SATURDAY
6 A.M. NOON 6 P.M.
HIGH **49-54** LOW **37-42**
Mostly sunny. Winds WNW 7-14 mph. Mainly clear at night. Winds WNW 7-14 mph.

New England forecast

TODAY: Mostly cloudy across the south with a shower or two around. A mixture of clouds and sunshine across northern areas, but cooler.
TOMORROW: Cloudy throughout the region. Occasional rain and drizzle in southern areas, with pockets of sleet and freezing rain across the north.
EXTENDED: Considerable cloudiness Thursday and turning milder, with showers and even a thunderstorm south, and some rain north. Dry and windy Friday.



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Temperatures are today's highs and tonight's lows.

Almanac

Yesterday's high/low	52°/31°
Sunrise	6:22 a.m.
Sunset	7:13 p.m.
Moonrise	5:49 p.m.

Mount Washington (5 p.m. yesterday)

Weather	Cloudy
Visibility	70 miles
Wind	west-southwest at 45 m.p.h.
High/low temperature	23/8
Snow depth at 5 p.m.	17.0"

Boston snowfall (5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.0"
Total for April	0.0"
Normal for April	1.9"
Season total	12.4"
Season normal	49.2"

Degree days Heat

Yesterday	23
Monthly total	56
Normal to date	65
Season total (normal)	4114 (4834)
Last year to date	4405

24 Hr. Precipitation (valid at 5 p.m. yesterday)

Yesterday	0.00"	Month to date	0.35"	Year to date	11.23"
Precip days in April	1	Norm. month to date	0.38"	Norm. year to date	11.15"

Climate data are compiled from National Weather Service records and are subject to change or correction.

Tides

	A.M.	P.M.
Boston high	11:06	11:26
Height	9.6	9.5
Boston low	4:52	5:15
Height	0.9	0.6
High tides		
Old Orchard ME	10:59	11:20
Hampton Beach NH	11:13	11:34
Plum Island	11:17	11:38
Ipswich	10:58	11:19

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Gloucester	11:06	11:26
Marblehead	11:06	11:26
Lynn	11:10	11:28
Scituate	11:11	11:32
Plymouth	11:15	11:35
Cape Cod Canal East	10:56	11:16
Cape Cod Canal West	9:47	
Falmouth	10:50	11:10

High tides	A.M.	P.M.
Hyannis Port	---	12:00
Chatham	---	12:04
Wellfleet	11:20	11:40
Provincetown	11:08	11:29
Nantucket Harbor	---	12:01
Oak Bluffs	11:30	11:48
New Bedford	7:38	7:56
Newport RI	7:31	7:49

New England marine forecast

● Small craft advisory ● Gale warning ● Storm warning

	Wind	Seas	Temp
Boston Harbor	NE 4-8 kts.	1 ft.	56/42
East Cape Cod Canal	N 6-12 kts.	1-2 ft.	58/43
Buzzards Bay	S 6-12 kts.	1-2 ft.	58/43
Martha's Vineyard	SW 6-12 kts.	1-3 ft.	60/45
Nantucket	SW 7-14 kts.	1-3 ft.	56/44
Provincetown	NE 4-8 kts.	1-2 ft.	53/41

For current Charles River Basin water quality, call (781) 788-0007 or go to http://www.charlesriver.org.

Cities

Forecast high and low temperatures and conditions

● Travel delays possible, **C** Clouds, **F** Fog, **H** Haze, **I** Ice, **Pc** Partly Cloudy, **R** Rain, **Sh** Showers, **S** Sun, **Sn** Snow, **Fl** Flurries, **T** Thunderstorms, **W** Windy

	Today		Tomorrow	
Atlanta	81/65	Pc	86/65	Pc
Atlantic City	71/51	Pc	64/58	C
Charlotte	81/60	Pc	85/65	Pc
● Chicago	67/63	T	68/33	T
● Dallas	86/58	Pc	71/48	Pc
● Denver	33/14	C	40/22	Sn
● Detroit	56/47	Sh	73/42	T
Fort Myers	91/70	Pc	92/69	S
● Los Angeles	63/45	S	67/48	S
● Miami	87/75	Sh	87/74	S
● New Orleans	87/75	C	86/71	T
New York City	68/52	C	58/54	R
Philadelphia	75/55	Pc	74/61	C
● Phoenix	64/43	S	69/50	S
● Salt Lake City	34/28	Sn	40/23	Sn
● San Francisco	57/45	S	58/47	S
Seattle	50/36	Pc	50/41	R
Washington	79/58	Pc	82/67	C
Beijing	56/45	R	64/46	C
● Cancun	88/76	Pc	88/77	Pc
● Mexico City	87/56	Pc	87/55	Pc
Montreal	47/28	S	41/39	R
Toronto	48/40	R	62/46	T
Vancouver	49/36	S	51/41	Pc
Jerusalem	82/51	S	67/49	S
London	57/35	S	54/46	Pc
Moscow	54/38	Pc	56/38	Pc
Paris	53/33	S	58/43	Pc
Rome	59/41	S	55/35	S
● San Juan	86/74	S	85/72	T
Stockholm	40/18	S	39/31	Pc
Tokyo	66/53	C	67/61	C

HOROSCOPE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY for Tuesday, April 4, 2023:
You are daring and charismatic. When inspired, you generate amazing energy for organization, activity and inducing others to leap on your bandwagon. This year service to others is a theme, which is why you need to take care of yourself. Perhaps a makeover? Others will turn to you for guidance.

ARIES *(March 21-April 19)*
This is another day with confusion and possible deception, especially related to your work, your health or a pet. This means you might be kidding yourself about a health issue. Think about that. Meanwhile, if you think a coworker isn't on the level with you, look into it. Tonight: Cooperate.
TAURUS *(April 20-May 20)*
Some kind of confusion and misunderstanding related to your kids, a romantic partner or a social situation continues to blur things for you. This also might have something to do with sports. The main thing is to know that there is possible confusion. Don't take things for granted. Tonight: Work.
GEMINI *(May 21-June 20)*
Like yesterday, relations with parents, bosses, teachers, and the police are fuzzy or unclear about something. They might not know what you want, or perhaps you don't know what they want. Don't hide anything for fear of embarrassment. Come clean now. Tonight: Socialize!
CANCER *(June 21-July 22)*
Don't fall for propaganda related to politics, religion or racial issues today, which will be very easy to do. Don't let other people do your thinking for you. Listen to ideas that others have, but make your own mind up. Test them on your own. Don't be a sheep; be an eagle. Tonight: Cocoon.
LEO *(July 23-Aug. 22)*
This is another day when there is confusion about money, earnings or something to do with your possessions. Don't turn a blind eye to these issues. Make a personal resolve to face them and figure out what's going on. In a case like this, procrastination could cost you money. Tonight: Conversations.
VIRGO *(Aug. 23-Sept. 22)*
Expect confusion when talking to close friends, partners, and spouses today. Possibly, you're disappointed because you didn't express your expectations to someone. Others can't read your mind. You have to be clear and ask for what you want. If you are disappointed, say so. Tonight: Focus on money.
LIBRA *(Sept. 23-Oct. 22)*
Something going on behind the scenes might introduce confusion to your job or something to do with a pet. It might relate to your health. You are ambitious now because you want to achieve a lot. This also means you need your body as a resource. Take care of it. Tonight: You win!
SCORPIO *(Oct. 23-Nov. 21)*
Be observant with your kids today. They might need your help and not even know it. Possibly, they are in trouble or hiding something from you. Likewise, romantic relationships might be fuzzy and unclear (more than usual). Pay attention. Tonight: Solitude.
SAGITTARIUS *(Nov. 22-Dec. 21)*
Avoid misunderstandings with parents, bosses, and VIPs today. Anyone in a position of authority might make the wrong assumptions about you, and vice versa, you might make wrong assumptions about them. Never underestimate the power of courtesy. Tonight: Be friendly.
CAPRICORN *(Dec. 22-Jan. 19)*
If making travel plans, double-check all details, because today is rife with confusion and errors. Do not assume that everything is flowing the way you'd hoped. Go back and double-check details. Be extra clear with people from other cultures or different countries. Tonight: Be respectful.
AQUARIUS *(Jan. 20-Feb. 18)*
This is the second day in a row when there's confusion about money, banking, earnings, or your possessions. Whatever it is, it can affect your wealth. Make sure you know what's going on. And if you are suspicious about a certain area, investigate it. Tonight: Explore!
PISCES *(Feb. 19-March 20)*
Be clear when talking to others today. Make no assumptions. Be ready to accommodate and go more than halfway when dealing with others so you can keep the peace and keep everyone happy. Just do it. Tonight: Check your finances.

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SUDOKU

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3X3 box contains the digits 1 through 9. Puzzle difficulty levels: Easy on Monday and Tuesday, more difficult on Wednesday and Thursday, most difficult on Friday and Saturday. Tips and computer program at www.sudoku.com.

DAILY BRIDGE CLUB

BY FRANK STEWART

South dealer — E-W vulnerable

North
♠ 9 4 3
♡ K Q 8 6 4
♢ 9 4
♣ A K 3

West
♠ None
♡ J 9 5 3
♢ A J 10 8 3
♣ J 10 9 5

East
♠ Q 7 6 5
♡ A 10 7
♢ 7 2
♣ Q 8 6 2

South
♠ A K J 10 8 2
♡ 2
♢ K Q 6 5
♣ 7 4

South	West	North	East
1 ♠	Pass	2 ♡	Pass
2 ♠	Pass	4 ♠	All Pass

Opening lead — ♣ J

"Did Noah keep the bees in his Ark hives?" — graffiti

When Noah wasn't sitting on the deck, they played bridge on the Ark. Noah declared today's four spades. He won the first club with dummy's ace and led a diamond to his king. Ham as West won and led a second club.

Noah won and belatedly led the king of hearts, and Shem, East, took the ace and led his last diamond. Noah won and craftily led the jack of trumps, but East ducked. When Noah next ruffed a diamond with dummy's nine of trumps, Shem overruffed and returned a trump, and Noah had a diamond to lose.

"I needed foresight to make it," Noah sighed.

"If you had foresight," Ham said, "you'd swat those two mosquitoes we have on board."

South does best to lead the king of hearts at Trick Two. He wins the club return, pitches a diamond on the queen of hearts and leads a diamond: deuce, king, ace. He can ruff the next club, cash the A-K of trumps, take his queen of diamonds and ruff a diamond with the nine of trumps to make his game.

DAILY QUESTION You hold: ♠ 9 4 3 ♡ K Q 8 6 4 ♢ 9 4 ♣ A K 3. You open one heart. Your partner bids one spade. What do you say?

ANSWER: You had a mandatory opening bid with three Quick Tricks. You also have a mandatory rebid since partner's response is unlimited and forcing. A rebid of two hearts would promise a longer suit. I would accept a bid of 1NT. I would reluctantly try a raise to two spades. If partner passes, the contract may be no worse than any other.

ZIPPY "Sidewalk Smurfin'" by Bill Griffith

I'M THRASHING A HALF PIPE WITH A HARD FLIP ON A KNEE SLIDE!
MY MONGO FOOT IS DOING A NOLLIE ON MY RAZOR TAIL!
I COULD AIR WALK MY ANCHOR GRIND & FLIP AN ALLEY OOP!
I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT--
BUT ANY SPORT THAT REFERS TO COMIC STRIP CAVEMEN IS FOR ME!
Zippyherehead.com
Griffy

ADAM@HOME by Rob Harrell

I'LL DESIGN YOU AN IMAGINARY FRIEND, BUT NOT IF IT'S A PONY.
WHY NOT A PONY?
IT'S PLAYED OUT. IT'S BEEN DONE.
AND BECAUSE THEIR LEGS ARE A PAIN TO DRAW.
WHAT IF THE PONY WAS ALWAYS BEHIND A TABLE?
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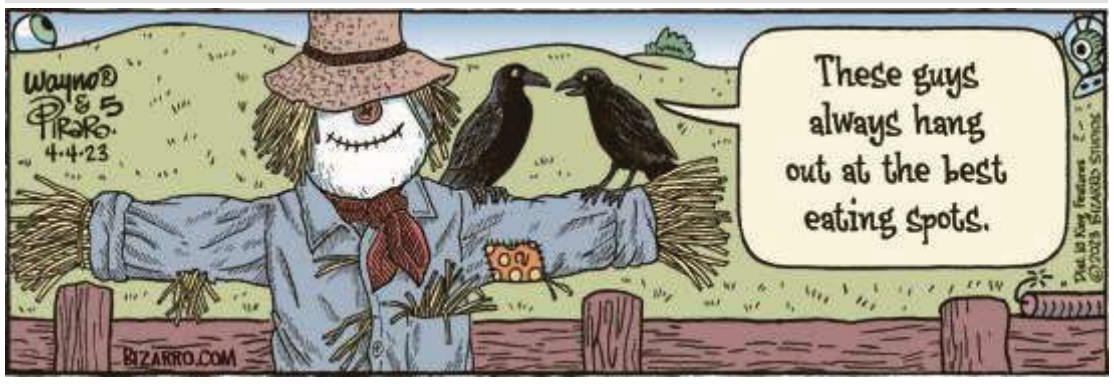
BIZARRO by Wayno & Piraro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These guys always hang out at the best eating spots.
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ROSE IS ROSE by Pat Brady & Don Wimmer

THIS IS A REAL DILEMMA...
DO I SKIP BREAKFAST AND LET JUMBO SLEEP...
OR WAKE HIM BY GRABBING HIS CEREAL BOX CHIN SUPPORT?
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Today's Crossword Solution

A	S	K		R	E	V	O	L	V	E	R	S		Y
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	S	T	U	D	E	N	T	C	E	N	T	E	R	
		S	I	S			A	P	R	O	N			
E	M	T		R	U	B	S			O	V	A	R	Y
F	A	S	T	F	O	R	W	A	R	D		M	A	N
I	D	E	A		P	E	O	R	I	A		U	F	O
W	A	R	M		S	H	R	E	K		H	A	T	

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2	6	9	8	1	3	7	4	5
1	3	5	2	4	7	9	6	8
8	7	4	5	6	9	3	2	1
4	8	1	6	7	5	2	3	9
9	5	7	3	8	2	6	1	4
6	2	3	1	9	4	8	5	7
5	9	8	4	3	6	1	7	2
7	4	6	9	2	1	5	8	3
3	1	2	7	5	8	4	9	6